

CINSAULT Loma Seca · 2016

Carmen DO begins with a simple idea, with a dream of strengthening ties with special, unique producers in different parts of Chile. Working side-by-side, we have created a different wine that uses manual production in its aim to transmit the history of a lifetime tied to the vineyard. And this lets us bring Chile's valleys and its people to light.



VARIETAL100% CinsaultGEOGRAPHIC AREAItata ValleyALCOHOL CONTENT13.3% Vol.TOTAL ACIDITY3.06 g/LRESIDUAL SUGAR1.48 g/LPH3.57

ORIGIN -

This vineyard is in the **Itata Valley**, where Chilean viticulture began nearly 500 years ago. Located just 25 km from the Pacific Ocean, we can feel the coastal influence in its cool Mediterranean climate.

The vineyard is dry farmed, which results in perfectly balanced plants that produce exceptional fruit. The vineyard consists of head-trained vines planted on granite and clay soils on Itata's rolling hills, where the soils are more homogenous in the higher, rounded sectors and heterogeneous in the lower, convex sectors.

The owners of these historic vineyards are life-long producers who have spent their lives working with and caring for their vines. This wine is a tribute to the partnering of wineries and the producers who have dedicated their lives to these magical vineyards.

HARVEST & WINEMAKING -

The **handpicked grapes** are taken to the winery, where 50% undergo carbonic maceration until their final fermentation. The rest are destemmed and placed into open-topped vats and fermented with native yeasts. The wines are **manually and gently punched down** every morning to achieve better aromatic extraction from the skins. Once the fermentation has completed, the wine remains on its skins for a total maceration time of 28 days. It is then pressed in a vertical press along with the bunches that underwent carbonic maceration and racked to **concrete amphorae**, where it ages for 4 months. The wine was hand bottled without fining or filtering. Deposits may form

in the bottles, but they are part of the soul of this wine. They are not harmful, so relax and enjoy the wine.

WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS

This fresh and floral wine is dominated by red fruit, such as strawberries and raspberries, and is very creamy with well-balanced acidity and a very long and persistent finish.