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Pais Viejo

WINE CATEGORY: Unexpected Reds



Pack Size: 12/750ml
UPC: 835603003222

OVERVIEW

Pais Viejo ('Old Pais') is a wine with history. Made with Pais grapes from over 100-year-old Gobelet vines planted in the dry-farmed, coastal region of Maule.

VINTAGE

RAINFALL: 27,56 inches/year. 50% higher than average.

BLOOM: October 2022

WEATHER: There were a few late-season frosts in September and October, where there was some damage in a few of the blocks, but it was contained. Average maximum temperatures were much lower than normal, around 41°F lower, while 1.7 in of rain fell during this time, which is similar to the amount during the same period the previous year. The lower temperatures meant flowering was a rather drawn-out period compared to previous seasons.

HARVEST: First week of April, 2023

GRAPES: Average Brix 21.5

SITE

Mingre, dry coastal area of Maule Valley, 28 miles from the Pacific Ocean.

ELEVATION: 650 ft.

SOILS: Very old soil, granitic Sandy loam, formed from granite from the Coastal Mountains, full of quartz and other minerals

VINES: 5.000 vines/hectar | Average age of vines: 101 years

YIELDS: 1 ton per hectar

100% Pais

Mingre, Maule Valley, Chile

12.5% Alc. by Vol.



92 pts - Wine Advocate

91 pts - Tim Atkin

CHILE



TASTING NOTES

Bright cherry color. A very juicy, fresh, light and honest wine with aromas of strawberry, wildflowers and sour cherry.

PAIRING SUGGESTIONS

Pairs well with fish and pasta, however can also be used as an aperitif.

WINEMAKING & TECHNICAL DATA

FERMENTATION: Handpicked from centenarian vines in small boxes of 26.5 pounds. Destemmed and ferment in old concrete tanks. The alcoholic fermentation starts naturally with native yeast for 14 days without additives. Pais Viejo is 100% naturally-vinified using century-old winemaking techniques, including the use of the zaranda (a structure made of sticks to destem the grape clusters). Fermented with native yeasts in concrete tanks to preserve the wine's authentic expression of terroir.

AGING: Aged for 6 months in concrete.

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