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AQUITANIA LAZULI

 CATEGORY: Exceptional Cabs

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Named after the precious gemstone 'Lapis Lazuli', this wine is only made during the best vintage and has impressive character that only gets better with age.

WINEMAKING DETAILS

VARIETAL: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon **PH:** 3.5
REGION: Maipo **ALCOHOL:** 14.5
AVG. ELEVATION: 2100 **SIZE:** 6/750ml
AVG. AGE OF VINES: 32 **UPC:** 835603002577

AGING: 16 months in French barrels (30% new).

HARVEST DETAILS: Hand-harvest in small 10kg boxes. Hand-sorting on a conveyor belt.

TASTING NOTES AND PAIRINGS

- Elegant nose of black fruits like cassis, black cherry and plum.
- The palate shows good acidity and balance, ripe and soft tannins, floral and spicy notes with a long after taste.
- Try With: BBQ meats, Asian style foods, or roasted vegetables.

WINERY OVERVIEW

In the early 1990's, Bordeaux luminaries Bruno Prats (Chateau Cos d'Estournel) and Paul Pontallier (Chateau Margaux) discovered the high caliber of Cabernet Sauvignon from Chile's Alto Maipo region. They partnered with their colleague Felipe de Solminihac, a renowned Chilean agronomist, oenologist and winemaker in the region. They acquired 45 acres in the 'Quebrada de Macul', historically the heart of the Maipo Valley vineyards, and Viña Aquitania was born. In January 2003, Ghislain de Montgolfier (CEO of Bollinger Champagne), became the fourth partner.

