

CARMENERE

Virtage 2016

CACHAPOAL VALLEY
85% CARMENERE/ 10% SYRAH/
5% CARIGNAN

BASIC ANALYSIS	
Alcohol:	14°
pH:	3. 39
Total Acidity (H2SO4):	3. 45 g/L
Volatile Acidity (C2H4O2):	0. 49 g/L
Residual Sugar :	2. 44 g/L



DENOMINATION OF ORIGIN

Peumo, Cachapoal Valley. With a warm climate influenced by breezes from the nearby Lake Rapel, this is a prestigious area for producing fruity, big-bodied Carmenere.

VINTAGE

The 2016 vintage began with a dry winter followed by a cold and rainy spring. A temperate summer enabled the grapes to ripen well, although a bit later than usual. Early autumn was dry, but unusual rains in late April resulted in the need to harvest some varieties early. These conditions gave rise to fresh, well-balanced wines with low alcohol and great elegance.

VINIFICATION

The grapes were fermented in stainless steel tanks for 7 days at 86°F (30°C) followed by a 6-day post-fermentation process. Upon completion of the malolactic fermentation, the wine was aged in French oak barrels for 12 months for greater complexity and structure.

AGING

12 months in French oak barrels (25% new, 50% second use, 25% third use), with a minimum of 6 months in the bottle

ACCOLADES

- 92 points 2018 James Suckling, 2016 vintage
- 92 points 2018 Wine and Spirits, 2016 vintage
- Silver Medal 2018 Descorchados, 2015 vintage
- **93 points** 2017 AWoCA, 2015 vintage

TASTING NOTES

Color: Deep ruby red with violet notes. **Aroma:** Expressive and intense, recalling red and black cherries and black currant, along with notes of tobacco, chocolate, and pencil lead. **Palate:** Well structured and potent with ripe and rounded tannins that lend a seductive and voluminous finish. **Gastronomy:** Enjoy with pork, chicken, or turkey with creamy sauces. Also ideal with pastas and smoked cheeses.