

HOUSE OF MORANDÉ
2010 - D.O. MAIPO

Cabernet Sauvignon 77%
Cabernet Franc 10%
Carignan 5%
Syrah 5%
Carmenère 3%

Experience & Elegance

This wine's excellence is backed by experience. Its elegance, balance, and robustness come from the best blocks of the San Bernardo property (third geological terrace) in the Maipo Alto sector of the Maipo Valley. It is a classic Cabernet Sauvignon-based Bordeaux-style blend complemented by other red varieties such as Cabernet Franc.

In the Vineyard

The grapes for this wine come from San Bernardo, in the heart of the Maipo Valley, just minutes from Santiago. The vineyard benefits from a warm-temperate Mediterranean climate with a long, dry summer combined with alluvial soils that are low in organic matter with an abundance of stones and sand in the matrix, which allows the roots to extend deep into the earth. The vines are planted to high density, oriented north to south (22.5°W), and drip irrigated with a tightly controlled restrictive regimen. Different terroirs work best with different varieties and clonal selections, which results in a diverse selection of wines available for high-end blends.

Vineyard management consists of producing low yields of just one kg of grapes the equivalent of one bottle of wine per plant with small bunches and berries. All of this results in concentrated aromas and flavors. The grapes are harvested on three separate occasions to ensure the purity of flavors.

In the Winery

The grapes are vinified using the traditional Bordeaux method with extended macerations lasting 3–5 weeks. The new wine is then aged in French oak barrels for 18 months, during which time it undergoes malolactic fermentation. The wine is fined with egg white and decanted for two months before being bottled unfiltered.

In the Glass

Intense cherry red with violet nuances. The aromas recall fresh red and black fruits with a light touch of spices such as cinnamon, cloves, and vanilla that lend outstanding complexity. Its youth is also evident in its aromas of dried flowers and cypress that come with oak aging. It is agile, expansive, and youthful on the palate with great volume and flavorful balance. The strength and elegance of the Cabernet Sauvignon lend it great character, while the Cabernet Franc contributes delicious tannins and dark chocolate. The Carignan provides freshness and sour cherry notes, and the Syrah adds a slightly smoky sensation. Its balance is very complex, and it has a long life ahead in the bottle. Ideal with red meats, game, braises, and strong cheeses.

Analysis

14,0% ~ Alcohol
3,3 ~ pH
3,92 g/L. ~ Total Acidity
1,69 g/L. ~ Residual Sugar

