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CHILE



## *Pirca Cabernet Sauvignon Gran Reserva 2016*

*“Cabernet with Soul from Chile”*

Pirca is a unique style of a wall construction, traditionally created in Chile. Pirca is made of large stones which come from the vineyard and are mixed with mud and straw. When formed, the Pirca is covered on top with a layer of tiles to protect it from the rain. The nature of a Pirca aims to represent the influence of the terroir in these wines. The tradition and complexity found in a Pirca can be easily compared to our wines, which are the best expression of the place they come from.

### **Appellation**

D.O. Colchagua Valley

### **Location**

Curicó

### **Winery Size**

60 Ha

### **Winemaker**

Pascal Marty

### **Varieties**

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

### **Aging**

6 months new French oak

### **Age of Vines**

60 Years

### **Elevation**

220 m

### **Soil**

Lime sandish

### **Max Yield**

6,000 Kg/Ha

### **Alcohol Content**

13.5 %

### **Production**

30,000 Bottles

### **Farming**

Sustainable

## **Production**

Harvest by hand. Alcoholic and malolactic fermentation in stainless steel tanks with an average length of 8-12 days, and temperatures about 24°C – 26°C. 6 months new French oak.

## **Tasting Notes**

Deep ruby red. Different layers of complex aromas can be perceived thanks to the wine is starting to develop secondary characters. From ripe red currants, blackberries, prunes, cassis, and menthol bouquet, complemented with cloves, cigar box, and vanilla coming from the oak influence, though always in balance.

Full-bodied, with chalky and well integrated tannins, this wine feels ‘heavy’ on the palate giving a grassy mouth coating sensation, volume, and structure. A range of flavors, from red and black fruits, dried fruits to savory, spices, and an earthy hint makes our Cabernet tasty and complex. Ready to drink now but it will definitely still get better in time. It’s powerful, complex, and elegant at the same time. Ready to drink now.

## **Accolades**

90 - 2017 Pirca Gran Reserva Cabernet Sauvignon - **James Suckling**