

CALITERRA®

The Most Mediterranean Harvest ...

2013

Vintage Report

The 2013 vintage was the longest, complex, and challenge-filled harvest seasons in recent years. It began with one of the most Mediterranean springs that I can recall, with more rain and warmer nights than usual, which caused us to adjust our vineyard management program because irrigation was not necessary. The trend continued until summer, which was a bit colder than normal and had no rain at the end of the season, which allowed us to wait patiently for our fruit to ripen fully.

The daily temperature differential between daytime highs and night time lows was even greater than the average, which resulted in wines with deep colour and tremendous intensity, and the cool temperatures this summer are reflected in wines with plenty of acidity that lends a greater sensation of freshness than in past years. The wines have very good aromatic intensity, and alcohol levels that are lower than usual.

The results of this intense harvest are quite interesting, with wines of excellent quality. Our Whites: Very intense and fresh Sauvignon Blanc with herbal notes typical of the variety and tremendous acidity on the palate. The Chardonnays are very mineral and elegant and are now aging well in their barrels.

Our Reds: Varieties such as Malbec are outstanding with very fresh and elegant profiles and the gorgeous floral notes typical of the variety. The Syrah's are showing more elegantly than ever, and our Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc have very high freshness and fruitiness. Overall the reds don't show as much concentration this year as they have in other warmer years, but the freshness and elegance they present makes them very interesting—and well worth waiting for!

2013 Harvest Report by our winemaker, Rodrigo Zamorano



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