

# Laberinto Blend 2013

This hand harvested, single vineyard, is a blend of 60% Cabernet Sauvignon and 40% Merlot that Rafael Tirado planted himself in 1993. The palate is full-bodied with lavish ripe black cherries, blackberries, blueberry and cassis fruit that coat the mouth. Hints of eucalyptus and violets lead to a structured yet smooth finish with subtle hints of oak; succulent fruit with good grip.



Vintage: 2013  
Varietal: 60% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Cab Franc  
Case Production 12 pack: 500  
Alcohol Content: 14.00%  
Region / Location: Colbún, Maule  
Vineyard: Laberinto ME and CS Block, 12.3 acres  
Planted: Planted in 1993 - 1995  
Altitude: 2,000 ft  
Farming Practices: Organic  
Soil Type: Volcanic  
Trellis System: Vertical Trellis  
Yield: 500  
Stem Inclusion: None  
Yeast: Native  
Winemaker: Rafael Tirado  
Élevage: French barrels, 14 months  
Lees Contact:  
Filtration Method: Unfiltered and Unfined  
Maceration / Fermentation: 4-days cold soak. e alcoholic fermentation lasted for about 2 weeks using wild yeasts. e wine completed a period of 22 to 30 days inside the tanks.  
UPC Code: 7804632830003



As one of ten children, Rafael Tirado has long been prepared to navigate his way through life. Over the course of his decades long career, he has made wine around the world, managed several mid-sized Chilean wineries, many of which are exported to the USA, and has become one of the most sought after wine consultants in Chile. Rafa purchased land in the Eastern Maule Valley in the front range of the Chilean Andes and planted his first estate vines in 1993 on volcanic ash over granite. He currently has five parcels totaling 18ha of vines. His vineyards are legally recognized to be located within the Colbun DO and currently is the only estate producer in the DO. Much of his vineyard is planted in various orientations, some of which are planted in the shape of a labyrinth. Rafael built a small gravity fed winery and a geothermal barrel and bottle room on the property, and currently produces estate wines under the Laberinto and Vistalago labels. We believe these wines to be some of the most classical expressions of terroir in all of Chile, and Rafael Tirado to be a beacon of Artisan Chilean V

