CORRALILLO WINEMAKER'S BLEND 2020

San Antonio Valley, Chile





TASTING NOTES: The wine is deep red and brilliant with violet tones. The nose highlights notes of red fruit, chocolate, and spice. The palate has a complete mid palate with smooth, rounded tannins. Each variety adds to the complexity in different ways: the Cabernet Franc contributes the structure and tannins; the Malbec lends floral notes; and the Syrah brings spice, violet notes, and wet earth.

VITICULTURE: The 2020 growing season was marked by early budbreak and flowering, frosts between September and November, heat waves throughout the summer and below average rainfall. Despite these challenges, wines of the 2020 vintage have more structure, concentration and an overall opulence of fruit character.

VINIFICATION: All of the components underwent a cool, 7-day maceration prior to alcoholic fermentation. A combination of specific winemaking techniques were used for each component in order to highlight the characteristics of each variety. Every lot aged for 18 months in French oak barrels from different barrel makers, forests, and toast levels. Finally, the blend came together using specific percentages of each of the lots in order to achieve a balanced and complex wine that expresses the terroir of the grape varieties during the growing season.

FAMILY: The year 1892 saw the emigration of the first generation of the Matetic family from what is now known as modern-day Croatia to the southernmost Chilean town of Puntas Arenas. Almost 100 hundred years later, the world started to become aware of Matetic Vineyards. And so, the story begins. In 1999, planted between the San Antonio and Casablanca Valleys of Chile in the Rosario Valley, Matetic Vineyards was born to the world. This coastal property occupies over 200 planted acres that take advantage of ocean influences and the unique climate that comes along with it.

With an eye towards sustainability, Matetic moved to organics beginning in 2002, now certified organic by CERES GmbH, and following biodynamic practices. One year later, in 2003, the technologically advanced Matetic winery was built, featuring gravity flow and natural and sustainable materials. Their boutique hotel, La Casona, followed in 2004, and at the same time received its organic certification. And in 2013, Demeter awarded Matetic biodynamic certification.

PRODUCER: Matetic Vineyards

REGION: San Antonio Valley, Chile **TOTAL ACIDITY:** 5.5 G/L

GRAPE(S): 45% Syrah, 40% Cabernet Franc, 15% Malbec **RESIDUAL SUGAR: 1.6 G/L**

SKU: CRWB207 **pH:** 3.44

ALCOHOL: 14%

