Wildmakers

Maule Valley, Chile

Winemaker: Jose Miguel Sotomayor & Luca Hodgkinson
Region: Maule Valley, Chile
Location: Itata Valley, Chile
Appellation: DO Itata

Goblet trained vines of about 40 years old in Guarilhue planted on granitic soil. The vineyard work is done entirely by horseback.

Hand harvested, destemmed, pressed after primary fermentation and aged in stainless steel to preserve fruit.

Practicing Organic

100% Cinsault

About the Winery/Winemaker

Wildmakers is the partnership of two of Chile's premier vignerons: Luca Hodginkson and Jose Miguel Sotomayor. Best friends who have consulted on the vineyards and wines of many of Chile's best known labels who eventually got sick of conventional winemaking and together sought to make wines that are a pure, untamed expression of the places they come from vineyards that are wild, feral, and have become one with the landscape. The pair favors old dry-farmed Spanish varietals brought over by the original Spanish missionaries to the Maule and Itata Valleys. They work with old vine vineyards throughout the Itata and Maule Valleys as to express a truer since of identity for Chilean viticulture. Ultimately, Wildmakers is their collaborative project showcasing some of their favorite vineyards in the country. All their wines are free of pesticides and herbicides or any type of synthetic products (analyzed and certified by an external laboratory). Total sulfur <50 ppm. From 100% organic vineyards.