

# Polkura

## MALBEC

POLKURA is a wine growing project, started in 2002 by the Muñoz and Bruchfeld families, with the purpose of making an exceptional wine, based on the exciting Syrah grape variety. Marchigüe, at the western end of the Colchagua Valley in Chile was chosen as the ideal site, for it has shown enormous potential to produce this varietal.

POLKURA is the name of a little hill, located inside the vineyard. On its slopes grow the grapes that make this wine. POLKURA means "Yellow Stone" in the native Chilean Mapuche language, making reference to large amounts of yellow granite spread along the clay soils of the area. Decomposed granite imparts the wine with minerality and elegance, whereas clay gives it body and structure. The moderate coastal climate adds spice and fruitiness, resulting in a fine, yet complex and full bodied wine with very good balance.

MARCHIGÜE . COLCHAGUA VALLEY . CHILE  
2018

### VITIVINICULTURE

Varietal Composition: 87% Malbec, 13% Syrah  
Appellation of Origin: Marchigüe Area, Colchagua Valley, Chile

### Winemaker's comments:

This is without a doubt the most interesting vintage in the history of Polkura. At least at the cellar it was the vintage that has caused the most sighs when blending the wines. 2018 was neither warm nor cold. The yields were neither very large nor very small. The acidity is well balanced. Perfection doesn't exist, but if all vintages were like 2018, our job would be very easy. We simply let nature take its course. This Malbec, when compared to previous years, has two important changes: first, the volume increased. For those that follow Polkura wines closely will have noticed that we skipped over the 2017 vintage, and because of the good quality, we were able to compensate for last year. Secondly, instead of the usual Petit Verdot, the final wine has 13% Syrah.



### Tasting notes:

Intense ruby red color. Violet notes appear on the nose, together with black fruit and a hint of rosemary. On the palate, the wine is powerful, with intense tannins that are also well integrated and in balance with the sweetness of the alcohol. The wine is very complex and the flavors remain on the palate for a very long time. The finish is long and slow.

-Sven Bruchfeld



### High Ratings

	96 points
DescoRChadOS	95 points (Ranking Mejores Colchagua Costa, Ranking Mejores Malbec)
JAMESSUCKLING.COM	92 points
Tim Atkin	92 points
Wine Spectator	92 points
	91 points
Antonio Galloni vinous explore all things wine	91 points



At the beginning of the summer in 2008, the Polkura Hill suffered a bush fire, threatening the vineyard and getting very close to the area where the Malbec is planted. Thanks to several neighbors, a disaster was avoided. Although a Malbec component had always been used in previous years for the Polkura Syrah blend, after this event this great Malbec deserved to be bottled on its own.

