

## Viña Perez Cruz 'Limited Edition', Maipo Andes, Syrah 2018



A beautifully concentrated and fleshy wine redolent of redcurrant jam with a hint of mint and summer pudding, elegant and long.

### Producer Note

Perez Cruz is a family owned boutique winery located in the Alto Maipo. Their estate covers 250 hectares of vines planted in one of the most sought after areas for growing premium Cabernet Sauvignon. This red wine specialist also produces small parcels of Syrah, Cot (Malbec), Carmenère and Petit Verdot. They also produce an elegant cool-climate Sauvignon Blanc from Casablanca. From the first vintage in 2002, Andres Perez Cruz has seen the estate's speciality red wine amass an impressive array of awards and gold medals. Their eco-friendly winery was built by award winning architect Jose Cruz Ovalle, to fulfil the technical objective of fine wine production. Its wooden roof and natural light allow thermal isolation and free air flow circulation, making it one of the most unique wineries in the world.

### Vintage

Much-needed winter rainfall replenished the soil water reserves and sustained the vines through the dry growing season that followed. Dry conditions reduced disease pressure and the grapes ripened slowly, encouraging good flavour accumulation in the fruit. 2018 was a good vintage for both quality and quantity and the wines show excellent varietal character.

### Vineyard

Nestled against the mountain foothills at an elevation of between 1,450 and 1,700 feet, is the Liguai estate, the exclusive source of Perez Cruz wine and the home of the estate winery. The estate is located in the Maipo-Andes subregion of the Maipo Valley, where the vines are double Guyot trained and drip irrigated. The vines naturally produce low yields and the grapes are harvested by hand at optimum maturity levels.

### Winemaking

The grapes were hand-picked and carefully selected before being cold-macerated at 7°C for 48 hours. Fermentation lasted for eight days in stainless steel tanks between 24 and 26° C. Total skin contact was 10 days with pump-overs that were gradually reduced in volume as fermentation progressed, with daily tastings to ensure the desired levels of extraction were achieved. Once alcoholic fermentation was completed, the wine was macerated for a further six days, then racked and transferred to 225 litre barrels of one, two and three years old to add layers of complexity.

### Tasting Note

A beautifully concentrated wine with distinctive aromas of blackberries and pepper with a touch of subtle smoke. Full bodied and well structured but retaining elegance, with a lingering finish.

### Grape

Syrah 95%, Grenache 3%, Mourvèdre 2%



Winemaker:	German Lyon
Region:	N/A
Sub region:	Maipo Andes
Country:	Chile
Alcohol:	14.5%
Body Value:	C (A is light, E is full bodied)
Residual Sugar:	3.3
Contains Sulphites:	Yes
Vegetarian/Vegan:	Yes/Yes
Milk/Eggs:	No/No
Organic/Biodynamic	No/No
Product Code:	5815218A
Case unit of measure:	6X75CL
Formats Available:	75cl
Closure:	Diam