

SANTA EMA®

CARIGNAN AMPLUS

Vintage 2016

MAULE VALLEY
100% CARIGNAN

BASIC ANALYSIS

Alcohol:	14°
pH:	3.16
Total Acidity (H ₂ SO ₄):	4.24 g/L
Volatile Acidity (C ₂ H ₄ O ₂):	0.57 g/L
Residual Sugar :	3.14 g/L



DENOMINATION OF ORIGIN

Maule Valley. A special selection of very old vineyards located in one of the best zones of the VII Region's Secano Interior.

VINTAGE

The 2016 vintage was marked by a dry winter followed by a cold and rainy spring. Although the cool conditions had delayed the maturation process somewhat, the temperate summer enabled the grapes to ripen. Fall began dry, but unusual rain in late April made it necessary to harvest some red varieties earlier than anticipated. The resulting wines are fresh and very elegant, with good balance and low alcohol levels.

VINIFICATION

The grapes were fermented for 7 days at 26°–28°C followed by an extended 5-day post-fermentation maceration. After undergoing its malolactic fermentation, the wine was aged for 15 months in Austrian oak fouders, during which the wine developed complexity and unique structure.

AGING

15 months in French and American oak barrels, with a minimum of 6 months in the bottle.

ACCOLADES

- 93 points – 2020 La Cav, 2017 vintage
- 92 points – 2020 Descorchados, 2017 vintage
- 93 points – 2019 James Suckling, 2017 vintage

“From vines of more than 80 years of age, this has a very fresh and gently leafy nose with intense red plums and berries, swathed in cedary oak and hints of leather and dried leaves. The palate offers a terrific sense of density with long and rich, fine tannins that carry evenly. Old-vine soul here. Really seamless.”

- 91 points – 2019 Descorchados, 2016 vintage

TASTING NOTES

Color: Deep violet-ruby red. **Aroma:** Of great fruit expression with notes of cherries in liqueur, raspberries, and blackberries accompanied by pleasing notes of dark chocolate, nutmeg, and roasted coffee. **Palate:** Very well structured and refreshing with abundant creamy tannins, lively acidity, and a delicious long and elegant finish loaded with character. **Gastronomy:** Especially suited to pork, lamb, and game meats. Also delicious with aged cheeses and well-seasoned dishes.