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Gold Medal for First Vintage of Syrah La Cumbre

The 2001 Errázuriz "La Cumbre" won a Gold Medal at the International Wine Challenge in the U.K. one of the most reputed challenges worldwide.

2001 is the first release of this unique wine consolidating our leadership in this varietal first introduced in Chile by Viña Errázuriz in 1996. "La Cumbre" which in Spanish means "the pinnacle" represent our quest to produce the best Syrah coming from the Aconcagua

Valley, wine in which we have put all our expertise and know how after more than a decade of experimenting and learning how to best grow this variety in our different terroirs.

*Syrah La Cumbre 2001
Gold Medal in London
Wine Trade Fair. last
May 2003.*



Viña Errázuriz: The father of Syrah in Chile

As stated by Patricio Tapia, journalist from Wine & Spirits, after a Syrah tasting with Eduardo Chadwick in New York, Viña Errázuriz is the "father of Syrah in Chile".

Viña Errázuriz started with Syrah five years ago with our 1996 Syrah Reserva wine, the very first Syrah been harvested and bottled in Chile from our Errázuriz flagship vineyard Don Maximiano Estate located in the Aconcagua Valley.

We learned about growing and making Syrah in the Aconcagua Valley the hard way... by just making it!

*Ed Flaberty
Errázuriz Winemaker*

We have been fortunate enough that the Aconcagua Valley and Syrah have proven

to be a nice marriage. As the plantings of Syrah increase in the Aconcagua Valley, as well as our knowledge of the variety, we have been able to make more blends using Syrah as the base, thus expanding the Syrah family range within the Errázuriz portafolio.



Errázuriz Max Reserva Syrah 1999 by Malcolm Gluck

"17.5 impressive points from 20 point which is the maximum, for the Errázuriz Syrah Reserva 1999. This scrumptious red seems to combine the most telling virtues of some of the world's best-known wines. Thus it has Barolo's richness, Chateaufort's savouriness, St Emilion's leatheriness, Rhone's earthiness, Coonawarra's mintiness-yet it's uniquely marvellously Chilean. It is not 100% Syrah, but only 92% (the other 8% is cabernet sauvignon). The grapes, grown in the Aconcagua valley, are named after the southern hemisphere's tallest mountain.

The vineyard, Don Maximiano, is in a semi desert region, so the grapes get warm days and cool nights.

They are very ripe when picked, as evidenced by the 14.8% alcohol, but the unguent tannins balance the effect superbly. The wine spends a year in French and American oak.

*Malcolm Gluck, The Guardian, U.K.
Weekend - July 19, 2003.*

