

TASTING NOTES



2018 LATE HARVEST

VARIETAL COMPOSITION	100% Sauvignon Blanc
PRODUCTION	300 cases of 18 bottles
ALCOHOL	13.7%
RELEASE DATE	March 2020
TYPE OF OAK	French
MONTHS IN OAK	13 Months
RATING	93 pts, Descorchados

Kingston Family Vineyards is a boutique winery located on the farm that has been in our family for a century. We handcraft Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Syrah, and Sauvignon Blanc from our vineyards in Casablanca, Chile.

Kingston also collaborates in MOVI, Chile's Movement of Independent Winemakers, whose members make small lots of artisan wines by hand.

We finished the 2018 harvest, a great harvest and a very busy one, in May. The last syrah was pressed in early June and we ended the season. The cellar was silent again and we returned to normal.

A couple of weeks later I was walking through the vineyards, and noticed a couple of rows of Sauvignon Blanc that were never harvested and somehow overlooked.

There were never plans to make a dessert wine at Kingston Family. To be honest, I've never been a fan of sweet wines from the new world. They tend to be flat and lack balance. But the grapes in those two forgotten rows were perfect, they had only a bit of botrytis (noble rot). We couldn't pass up the opportunity.

Three of us were at the winery at the time, Mauro, Manuel, and me and we decided to go out and harvest the grapes ourselves. The winter cold of Casablanca was extreme and it took us 3 days to harvest enough grapes to fill the press.

The result was 850 liters of grape syrup that took almost 4 months to fully ferment because it was so cold.

Our first Late Harvest feels full of complexity and depth and above all, balance.

- Amael Orrego, Winemaker