



KINGSTON
FAMILY
VINEYARDS
CASABLANCA CHILE

TASTING NOTES



2018 CJ'S BARREL SYRAH

VARIETAL COMPOSITION	100% Syrah
PRODUCTION	101 cases
ALCOHOL	13.5%
RELEASE DATE	March 2020
TYPE OF OAK	French
MONTHS IN OAK	12 Months

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.

Every bottle of wine we make at Kingston Family faithfully reflects that year's harvest. But there's a memorable wine from each vintage. For me the 2018 CJ's Barrel Syrah is that wine. It is one of those wines that transports you to the cold and long 2018 season.

Each vintage is different and comes with its own unique set of challenges. 2018 was no exception. It was very cold with a long maturation period, which can often be challenging for syrah. Being located in the coldest area of the Casablanca Valley, it's not easy to mature this varietal and even more so in cold years.

In recent years, we have dedicated ourselves to carrying out many experiments and trials, to draw out the syrah's unique expression of our vineyards. 2018 was finally the year. By using a higher percentage of a whole cluster (100%), the wine expresses itself as it never has before. Red fruits combine with spices and graphite notes. It has an earthiness that we have not previously achieved. In the mouth it is very elegant with a lot of character and texture and a vibrancy that reflects the vintage, as never before.

- Amael Orrego, Winemaker

