



**KINGSTON**  
FAMILY  
VINEYARDS  
CASABLANCA CHILE

# TASTING NOTES



## 2018 SABINO CHARDONNAY

VARIETAL COMPOSITION	100% Chardonnay
PRODUCTION	352 cases, Organic
ALCOHOL	12.5%
RELEASE DATE	September 2019
AGING	French Oak Concrete Egg Vat
MONTHS IN OAK	10 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, Syrah, Sauvignon Blanc and Chardonnay 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.

Throughout the years, we have learned a lot from our vineyards. We have managed to find the best expression of the vineyard and to me, that is the most important thing. Today, thanks to all the effort we have made, every time I uncork a bottle of Kingston Family wine, it reminds me of the vineyard. What's more, each glass reminds me of the vintage. If it was hot or cold. The people in the vineyard and the cellar. When they ask me, "What is your favorite thing about making wine?" my answer is precisely that; reliving the story through a glass of wine.

This is exactly what happened to me when I tried this vintage of Sabino. I think it is, without a doubt, one of the best harvests we have had. We have been making Chardonnay for 9 years, and every year we ponder what things we can do differently to improve the expression of the varietal. During the 2018 harvest we did many things differently, including having more skin contact in some batches, putting them through malolactic fermentation, so we could achieve greater balance in the final blend. All this effort translated into a wine full of energy and life. The minerality explodes in this wine. The mouthfeel has a character to it that I had not seen before in our Chardonnay. Of all its qualities, what I like the most is that when I try it, it transports me to the cold harvest of 2018. It reminds me of long morning walks in the fog between the Chardonnay vines of Casablanca.

To me, this is a wine for enjoyment. I think it can be sipped on its own, accompanied by conversation. But a pasta al dente with grilled mushrooms or a salad with grilled root vegetables, would go perfectly as well.

- Amael Orrego, Winemaker



