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VIK 2011 Red Wine

Millahue Valley, Apalta Valley

Red wine from Chile

Drinking window: 2018 - 2026

(malo and 23 months of aging in all new French oak *barriques*) Vivid ruby. Highly expressive, seductively perfumed cherry, dark berry and incense aromas, backed by suggestions of vanilla, woodsmoke, clove and pipe tobacco. Sweet and seamless in texture, offering deeply concentrated, oak-spiced blackberry, cherry-vanilla and spicecake flavors that are lifted and given structure by a spine of juicy acidity. Distinctly rich and powerful but shows unlikely vivacity as well. Finishes extremely long and smooth, with harmonious tannins building steadily and shaping the wine's lush dark fruit. There's more than enough densely packed fruit here to handle the 100 percent new French oak treatment.

Josh Raynolds. Tasting date: October 2016

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Grape/Blend

55% Cabernet Sauvignon, 29% Carménère, 7% Cabernet Franc, 5% Merlot, 4% Syrah

Release price

\$140.00