

TUNQUEN SAUVIGNON BLANC 2012



This hand harvested, 100% Sauvignon Blanc is picked from 2 parcels of a single vineyard. The wine is stainless steel fermented and aged. It shows notes of lime, clementine, orange peel, and sweet pea with an underlying mineral backbone of flint and dust. White flowers on the nose, soft and supple on the mid-palate, from generous lees stirring, and a refreshing crisp finish.

Varietal: 100% Sauvignon Blanc
Case Production 12 pack: 230
Residual Sugar / Acidity: 1.9 g/l
Alcohol Content: 13.50%
Region / Location: Casablanca Valley
Vineyard Name: Cuartel Tunquen
Size: 1.5 acres
Age: Planted in 2000
Altitude: 850 feet
Soil Type: Clay with quartz and granite
Trellis System: VSP - vertical shoot positioned
Yield: 4 tons/acre
How: Hand picked
Winemaker: Marcos Attilio and Angela Mochi
Oak Treatment: Stainless Steel barrels
Age of the Barrel: n/a
Bottle Aging: 6 months
Maceration / Fermentation: Cultured yeast

Tunquen was started in 2010 by a Brazilian couple, Marco Attilio and Angela Mochi. The name comes from a beach on the coast of Chile and means 'the place where you gather strength' in the Mapuche language. The couple got their start in the wine business close to 20 years beforehand where they met in university studying food and then proceeded to build a restaurant, wine shop, and a wine import company together, focusing on international wines. This opportunity to taste many different wine styles from around the globe has shaped their approach at Tunquen. The idea is to focus on cool climate coastal wines from the Casablanca Valley and create wines that reflect their own individual personality. They craft unique, un-manipulated, multi-layered and complex wines that speak to the terroir and the purity of the varietal. With a focus on neutral oak and indigenous yeast they let the wines shine on their own. They have their hands in every part of the process from vineyard to bottling, and produce very limited batches so they can ensure the quality and complexity of the finished wine. The sustainable focused and eco-minded couple live in a refurbished used 40ft old reefer shipping container on their 5 acre property. The wine storage and barrel room are also in these containers, with hopes in the future to build a winery and a small tasting room out of this re-usable resource. Boutique, limited production, terroir driven, well crafted, and complex wines.

