



KINGSTON
FAMILY
VINEYARDS
CASABLANCA CHILE

TASTING NOTES



2020 CUARTEL 8D

VARIETAL COMPOSITION	100% Pinot Noir
PRODUCTION	120 cases, Organic
ALCOHOL	12.5%
RELEASE DATE	September 2021
AGING	2,000 Liters Austrian Foudre
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, Syrah, Sauvignon Blanc and Chardonnay from our vineyards in Casablanca, Chile.

2020 brought a year of unprecedented challenges across the globe. Making good wine relies on planning and precision, two luxuries that we were not afforded in a time of such uncertainty. However, a bit of serendipity allowed us to move forward with wine production even as the world shut down, and we ended up with an assortment of vintages as varied and complex as the year itself.

In a spot of good fortune, 2020's unexpectedly warm climate resulted in an early harvest: all of our grapes were in the winery by March 23rd, just about a week after the reality of the pandemic came to a head across the globe. Then, the agricultural exemption we received from the government allowed us to continue wine making operations even while the country was under strict lockdowns. Those employees who were allowed to travel to the winery from their homes were warriors in seeing the wine making process to completion.

Cultivated from one of our oldest blocks in the vineyard, our Cuartel 8D is a lively vintage boasting a freshness and an acidity that dances across the tongue. While these grapes are usually harvested along with those from other blocks to create the Alazan, this is the second year we've decided to give block 8D its own spotlight, bringing you a complex, fruity wine to remind you of summers past.

Experience notes of cherries, strawberries, and spice. Enjoy with with a creamy pasta or a mild thai curry.

While wines from warmer years tend to evolve a bit faster, these vintages should have life in the bottle for at least a decade into the future.