



# PEREZ CRUZ

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## CHASKI *Petit Verdot*

Chaski is the Inca word for the messengers that carried correspondence throughout the empire. The ruins of one of the stone houses the Chaskis used was found on the hill the estate lies on.

One of the last lots to be harvested, the grapes for Chaski Petit Verdot were hand-picked during the second week of May, when the grapes had reached their peak ripeness for optimal tannins and varietal aromas.

The bunches and berry were manually selected, before the grapes dropped gently into tanks for fermentation.

Careful pumpovers during alcoholic fermentation produce a texture that is both soft and concentrated. Total maceration time was 25 days. The malolactic fermentation took place in French oak barrels.

**Varieties:** 100% Petit Verdot

**Aging:** 14 meses, 100% barrica francesa (50% nueva y 50% primer uso)

**Yield:** 4.5 ton /ha

**Alc. Vol%:** 14.5

**Tasting Notes:** Elegant and complex nose with notes of red fruits, herbs, tobacco, black pepper and spices. It is well structured and fresh, with a particular mineral note in the palate.

