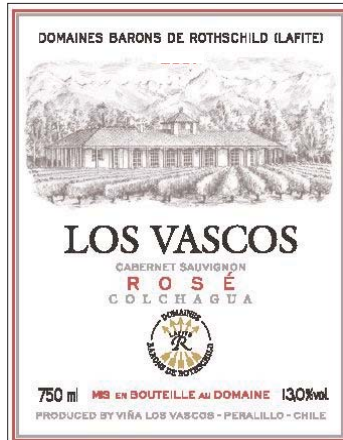


# VIÑA LOS VASCOS

LES DOMAINES BARONS DE ROTHSCHILD (LAFITE)

Colchagua, Chile



Rosé 2009

## THE VINEYARD

In the mid-nineteenth century, two of the leading Chilean wine producers brought vines from Bordeaux to improve the quality of the original vineyard of Viña Los Vascos. Chile's natural geographic frontiers protected it from the Phyloxera epidemic of the late nineteenth century and resulted in an unbroken line of wine stock that now produces some of the finest wines in all of Chile. The acquisition of 50% of Los Vascos by Rothschild (Lafite) in 1988 was the result of an exhaustive search of more than one hundred Chilean wines for one that could meet their criteria for excellence.

## HARVEST & AGEING

A good year in terms of climatic conditions despite the dry spring and summer. Optimum ripening led to a very good rosé. The grapes were handpicked by mid March. For the rosé, some bunches were picked in plots before phenolic maturity in order to obtain sufficient acidity, good fruit and a moderate alcohol level. The grapes were also pressed after a light maceration period in contact with their skins. A small amount was also produced from bleeding some tanks of Cabernet. After filtering, alcoholic fermentation took place in stainless steel tanks with controlled temperature between 14° and 16°C. The wine is bottled very young in order to preserve freshness and fruit.

## WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Bright, light red robe. Intense red fruit aromas: strawberries, raspberries and cherries. Refreshing, lively and juicy mouth. Aromatic, balanced and good persistence.

Grape Varieties: 85% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Syrah, 5% Malbec

Annual Production: 12,000 cases

Finished Alcohol: 13.0 %

Acidity: 3.8 g/L

pH: 3.0 g/l

Residual Sugar: 1.8 g/L