

# Sena

A wine of intensity and precision, this vintage delivers layered aromas, freshness, and elegance, with the hallmark complexity of the Aconcagua Valley terroir.



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Aconcagua Valley, Chile

# Region and Vineyards

Seña's vineyard lies in the Aconcagua Valley, a privileged site where the Andes and Pacific Ocean converge to create a distinctive mesoclimate. The cool breezes from the Humboldt Current moderate daytime heat, extending the ripening season and preserving acidity and aromatic freshness. The vineyard, cultivated under **biodynamic practices**, is rooted in hillside soils that provide excellent drainage and a natural concentration of minerals, translating directly into the wine's depth and complexity.

The 2020 vintage began with a warm and early season. Rapid and even bud break was followed by healthy flowering under warm conditions. December and January brought moderation, which encouraged a smooth and even veraison. February saw the return of cool Pacific winds, helping to preserve acidity and aromatic precision. March brought renewed heat, shaping the vintage's opulent and dense style. Harvest started a week earlier than average, yielding **powerful**, **exuberant wines with balance and elegance**.



Seña 2020 is composed of **53% Cabernet Sauvignon**, **25% Malbec**, **15% Carmenere**, **and 7% Petit Verdot**. Each variety was vinified separately to highlight its character before the final assemblage.

The wine aged for **22 months in 90% French oak barrels (78% new) and 10% large foudres**, striking a careful balance between structure and fruit purity. This élevage enhanced the wine's aromatic complexity while maintaining its natural freshness and vibrant expression of terroir.

# Tasting Notes

- Color: Deep garnet red with violet reflections.
- **Aroma:** Intense layers of cherries, raspberries, violets, and hints of dill and rosemary, framed by sweet spices and subtle balsamic touches.
- **Palate:** Fresh, juicy, and complex, with vibrant red fruit, spice, and silky, fine-grained tannins. Elegance, depth, and balance define a long, ample finish.



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### Did you know?

Seña was the **first Chilean icon wine**, created in 1995 by Eduardo Chadwick and Robert Mondavi. Their vision was to craft a Chilean fine wine capable of rivaling Bordeaux First Growths. Today, Seña is distributed through **La Place de Bordeaux**, a recognition of its international prestige and collectability.

### Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Roast beef with rosemary:** The herbal nuances in the wine echo the aromatics of the dish.
- **Wild boar stew:** The richness of the wine complements the game's depth and intensity.
- Duck confit with cherry glaze: Fruit-driven elegance balances the dish's succulence.
- **Aged Comté:** The nutty, savory complexity pairs seamlessly with the wine's layered structure.



### James Suckling (JS): 98 Points (2020)

Complex, with savory, spicy character, showing tobacco, salted plums, olives, black cherries, cassis and a hint of white pepper on the nose, followed by a refined, savory, balsamic accent. A full-bodied Seña with juicy fruit chiseling into the tight, extremely fine-grained tannins. Long, bright and still elegant from this warm vintage.



#### Robert Parker (RP): 97 Points (2020)

The 2020 Seña is a blend of 53% Cabernet Sauvignon, 25% Malbec, 15% Carmenere and 7% Petit Verdot (a little higher in search of acidity) from grapes harvested early, the second week of March, and fermented mostly in stainless steel and 10% in concrete eggs. It has a moderate 13.5% alcohol and good freshness. It's subtle and layered, not only fruit but with more spice; it has polished tannins and very integrated oak after 22 months in barrique, 78% new, and with 10% of the volume in large Stockinger barrels. The warmer years seem to be nicely managed, so that it's not reflected in the ripeness but is more a matter of texture and quality of the tannins; in the warmer years, like 2017 or this 2019, the wines have a little more grip, but these are definitely finer than those from the 2017 vintage. This wine has intensity and complexity, with no mintiness or herbal notes; it's spicy and juicy, with energy and depth. It has structure, color, stuffing and acidity to develop nicely in bottle. (LG)



#### Wine Enthusiast (WE): 95 Points (2020)

Violets, ripe cherry and red-plum aromas are delicate. Light notes of cinnamon and dried herbs fill up the bouquet. This is one of Chile's iconic wines from a warm vintage in Aconcagua Valley that delivers good concentration of fruit on the ripe palate. Blackberry and cherry flavors are followed by light notes of oak spice. It has lively linear acidity and big tannins. (JV)



