



# MONTSECANO

**‘These are some of the best, if not the best Pinot Noirs in Chile. Write down the name.’ -Robert Parker**

**‘Intoxicating, completely unique and some of the most exciting wines in Chile today.’ -Drink Insider**

**Year Founded: 2005**

**Region: Casablanca, Chile**

**Owner/winemaker: Julio Donoso & André Ostertag**

**Fun fact: Made by legendary winemaker André Ostertag whom Kermit Lynch has called revolutionary, saying: "There is poetry to Ostertag's practices. He looks for the nuance of terroir rather than the typicity of a grape varietal."**

**-Biodynamic, Organic, Sustainable-**

Julio Donoso and André Ostertag started Montsecano in 2005. They planted 4 hectares of Pinot Noir in las Dichas, Casablanca and built a small winery and cellar on the property. The vineyard is biodynamically farmed and is plowed by horse. The subterranean, geothermal winery is shaped like an egg, and they vinify exclusively with concrete egg and steel tank. Many believe that they produce two of the most highly regarded expressions of Pinot Noir in all of Chile. Julio and Andre incorporate a philosophical aspect that goes deeper than the vine and the energy is manifested on the property and in the bottle.



## **2022 Montsecano 'Refugio' Pinot Noir, Las Dichas**



This 100% biodynamic hand harvested, single vineyard Pinot Noir is aged and fermented completely in concrete egg. Planted in 2006 on granitic soil. 100% De-stemmed. Shows bright raspberry, strawberry jam, with rose petals, violets, and a light component of baking bread. This vintage the wine is extremely vibrant with some green notes and a light, glassy, soft and smooth mid-palate. The light tannin cradles the wine and lends itself to the refreshing acidity with a long, jam influenced finish.

**94 Points – '21 Robert Parker** – *“An expressive nose, mixing notes of flowers and a meaty touch. It has contained ripeness, good balance and a medium-bodied palate with clean and supple flavors and the granite texture in the mouthfeel. Wild Pinot Noir.”*