

# THE SOURCE A LOS VIÑATEROS BRAVOS ITATA VALLEY



## 2021 LEONARDO ERAZO, EL TUNEL

### PRODUCER OVERVIEW

Leo Erazo's Los Viñateros Bravos and his eponymous label wines come from the Guarilhue area of Chile's Itata Valley, the first settlement of Spanish Conquistadors in the 16th century who brought their own vines. Dominated by ancient pink/orange granite dating from the Cretaceous period and younger volcanic soils, the minimalist and naturalist, Leonardo Erazo, practices organic, biodynamic, and dry farming with the own-rooted, ancient 150-300-year-old País bush vines. All the wines are vinified with spontaneous fermentations in concrete (eggs, spheres, and more), amphoras, large wood vats and food-grade polymer containers, and they're pressed in a vertical, wooden press.

### VINEYARD DETAILS

El Tunel Cinsault comes from 0.4ha with an average vine age of 60 years (2023) on a soft slope facing northeast at 240m on granitic bedrock and a 40cm topsoil of red granite clay derived from the underlying bedrock.

### CELLAR NOTES

Partial whole cluster (~20%) natural ferment for 3 weeks with 1-2 daily punch downs at 23°C max. Aged 18 months in 30hl cement vat. Sulfites added only at bottling. No fining or filtration.

