

# La Playa `unoaked` Chardonnay 2012

**Country** Chile

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**Region** Colchagua Valley

The Colchagua Valley is a three hour drive south of Santiago and home to many of Chile's finest wineries. Located in Colchagua are the fine sub-regions of Apalta and Rapel. The region is influenced by the coastal maritime breezes and micro climate affected by Lake Rapel. The Andes mountains which dominate the country tower over the valley in the distance and are the water source used to irrigate the vines. The region is renowned for many of the finest Merlots, Cabernets and Carmenère.

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**Type** White

**Style** Fruity

**Oaked Style** Unoaked

**Body Style** Medium bodied

**Dry / Sweet Style** Dry

**Alcohol Content (%)** 13.5

**Closure Style** Screw Cap

**Organic / Normal**  
**Biodynamic**

**Grape Varieties Percentage**

Chardonnay 100%

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**Producer** Vina La Playa

The Vina La Playa estate occupies some of Colchagua Valley's most desirable acreage on the western shores of the Tinguiririca river. Comprising 600 acres and a \$10 million state of the art winery, this excellent producer is owned by the Sutil family who make superb modern fruit-driven wines from grapes sourced entirely from the estate. Exciting new vineyard development in the coastal Limari Valley, north of Santiago, is starting to produce some outstanding cool climate varietals.

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**Tasting (Long)** This golden, yellow Chardonnay offers fresh tropical fruit aromas of papaya, pineapple and mango combined with floral and ripe citrus. It is a fresh, medium-bodied wine with a good structure, balanced by a pleasant crisp acidity.

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**Tasting (Short)** A modern unoaked dry wine from vines grown in the foothills of the Andes mountains. Fresh with tropical fruit flavours and a fresh citrus acidity on the finish.

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**Serving Suggestion** Ideal for serving chilled as an aperitif and a good accompaniment for fresh cheese, white meats, fish and seafood, creamy risottos, and lightly spiced oriental dishes.

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