

# EPU

2021

ELABORADO POR

*Almaviva*

94<sup>pts</sup> **JAMES SUCKLING.COM** 

*Fresh and subtle nose with cassis, lead pencil and some red chili peppers. A hint of lavender and cedar. This is quite supple on the palate with a medium body and silky, soft tannins. Pretty generous and flattering. 80% Cabernet Sauvignon, 15% Carmenère and 5% Merlot. Drink now. – James Suckling*

94<sup>pts</sup> **the drinks business**

*EPU (Almaviva) 2021 (Maipo Valley; 80% Cabernet Sauvignon; 15% Carmenère; 5% Merlot; 15% alcohol). The second wine of Almaviva. Lots of vertical lift and energy on the highly expressive nose. A lovely Cabernet leafiness and a plump dark berry fruit, with a little hint of cedar and no doubt more to come, a delicate touch of sweet spice, a little roasted espresso bean and a cool stony minerality. Very pure, very soft and very elegant with lovely highly refined but still grippy tannins, a gracious evolution over the palate and an impressively long and gently tapering finish.*

93<sup>pts</sup> **Tim Atkin** <sup>MW</sup>

*Representing just 20% of the total crop in 2021 – 55% went to Almaviva and the rest was sold off in bulk – EPU mostly uses grapes from younger vineyards, but is an impressive second wine in its own right. Featuring Cabernet Sauvignon with 15% Carmenère and 5% Merlot, it's comparatively ripe for a cooler, wetter vintage, yet some way short of being a blockbuster. Chocolate and mocha aromas segue into a palate that's ripe yet well balanced, with fine-boned tannins, plum, red berry and cassis flavours and stylish 75% new wood. Drink 2025-29 – Tim Atkin MW*

93<sup>pts</sup> **Antonio Galloni**  
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*The 2021 Epu is a Bordeaux blend based on Cabernet Sauvignon from Puente Alto in the Metropolitan region. It was aged in barrels for a year. Garnet with a purple sheen. The nuanced nose unfolds over an oak bed with ashes, pepper, cassis, and green pepper notes. Indulgent and rich on the palate, the fine-grained tannins and the juicy and overwhelming mouthfeel lead to an ample and flavorful ripe finish. The Chilean Cab style, powerful and bold, guides this red. – By Joaquín Hidalgo on June 2023*

