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What You Need to Know About Chile's New DOs

These four new appellations reflect the country's growing focus on defined terroirs

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Apalta DO

"The largest and perhaps the best known of the new DOs, Apalta has been lauded for producing excellent quality red blends since the 1990s. It boasts some of Chile's most expensive labels.

There are 1,007 hectares in the Apalta DO. Apalta's key varieties are Cabernet Sauvignon, Carménère, Syrah, Malbec, Merlot, Petit Verdot, Mourvèdre, and Grenache. The region is is located in Colchagua, which is part of the Rapel region of the Central Valley; its climatic designation is Entre-Cordilleras. Notable producers in the DO include Lapostolle, Montes, **Neyen**, Santa Rita, Ventisquero, and Las Niñas."

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