



QUINTA NOVA DE NOSSA SENHORA DO CARMO

Quinta Nova Vinha Centenária Ref P28/P21 - 2018

1st monovarietal parcel of Tinta Roriz in Douro (P28) and centuries-old vines (P21)

Overview

First Harvest 2008

Owner Amorim Family

Winemakers Jorge Alves and Sónia Pereira

Vineyard

Grape Varieties Tinta Roriz (75%) and centuries-old vines (25%)

Soil Schist

Zone Cima do Corgo

Integrated Production Way

Harvest By hand

Average Yield 3000 Kg/Ha

Additional Winemaking Notes

100% destemmed

Ageing 12 months in new French oak

Alcohol 14,5% Vol.

Bottling May 2020

Production 3900 bottles

2018 Harvest

From September 14 to October 14

An atypical agricultural year, compared to the last 6 years. An early spring, with lack of precipitation in the first 3 months of the year, after which the climate was "tropical", with daytime and nighttime temperatures above the average for the season, with the late afternoon always accompanied by thunderstorms, a lot of rain and, in some situations, even hail.

The rains, which occurred in flowering, accompanied by attacks of late mildew, did not favor the good growth of the grape clusters that started to be seen in April. The region also suffered, during the month of August, very intense heat days that caused scalding in the grapes exposed to the south/west.

Quinta Nova, with its microclimate and special terroir, managed to maintain the production and achieve a harvest in quantity equivalent to the year 2017.

In the vineyard there's always a special focus on a small, ancient parcel of Tinta Roriz (1.57 hectares) located near the Douro River chapel at an altitude between 205 and 210 meters, with an east-west sun exposure. Tinta Roriz embodies both the challenge of winemaking and the human perseverance in preserving the authentic and traditional Douro.

From its delicate flowering, marked by high sensitivity to biological factors, to its often-uneven phenolic ripening, this grape variety keeps the entire team on edge. The austerity of the grape variety is evident on the palate, but it's also complemented by a contemporary sophistication. When combined with century-old vines, it produces a blend that stands as a benchmark in the Portuguese Douro: a wine brimming with minerality, blue fruits, rich spices, a firm structure, and a focused, linear finish.

The wine's concentration, density, and depth are a true reflection of its origins. First produced in the 2008 harvest, it has since become the definitive expression of Tinta Roriz from the Douro.

