



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.

Never yielding to the facilitism of a banal granjeio, in the vineyard there is always a special look into a small and old portion of Tinta Roriz (1.57 ha), located next to the chapel of the River Douro, an altitude between 205 and 210 metres and with sun exposure to the east-west.

Tinta Roriz clearly demonstrates the challenge of wine and human persistence in preserving an ancient and authentic Douro. From a nervous flowering, through extreme sensitivity to biological factors, to the phenolic maturation, not always homogeneous, this caste leaves the whole team with "butterflies in the stomach".

The austerity of the caste is well in the mouth, but at the same time, we are seduced by a contemporary sophistication that, allied to centuries old vineyards, originates a lot that is a reference in the Portuguese Douro: a wine full of minerality, blue fruits, rich in spicy notes, with a very firm structure and a very narrow mouth. The high concentration, density and depth expresses well its origin.

This wine was born in the harvest of 2008 and is the true reference of Tinta Roriz do Douro.

