



QUINTA NOVA DE NOSSA SENHORA DO CARMO

Quinta Nova Vinha Centenária Ref P28/P21 - 2020

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

Overview

First Harvest: 2008

Owner: Amorim Family

Winemakers: Jorge Alves

Viticulture: Ana Mota

Vineyard

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

Soil: Schist

Zone: Cima Corgo

Integrated Production Way

Harvest: By hand

Average Yield: 3000 Kg/ha

Additional Winemaking Notes

100% destemmed

Ageing: 12 months in new French oak barrels

Alcohol: 14,5% Vol.

Bottling: June 2022

Production: 5.000 bottles

2020 Harvest

From the 6th of September to the 10th of October

The high temperatures experienced throughout the growing season, especially in the months of June, July and August, combined with low rainfall in the spring, led to an anticipated start for the 2020 harvest.

During the vegetative growth period of the vines, the climate was unstable, and therefore required increased attention to the possible appearance of diseases and infestations.

It was an extremely demanding year, which required continuous preventive interventions. The final stage of maturation of the grapes was challenging and marked by extreme care in the vineyard. The rainfall between 14-15 August brought sufficient energy for the grapes to mature more quickly than normal. Consequently, 2020 was a less generous year in terms of quantity but resulted in grapes with more concentrated aromas and good sugar levels.

This year has produced intense, crystalline, complex and fresh wines.

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 from Douro.

