



## QUINTA NOVA DE NOSSA SENHORA DO CARMO

# Quinta Nova Vinha Centenária Ref P29/P21 - 2020

1st monovarietal parcel of Touriga Nacional in the Douro (P29) and centuries-old vines (P21)

### Overview

First Harvest: 2005

Owner: Amorim Family

Winemakers: Jorge Alves

Viticulture: Ana Mota

### Vineyard

Grape varieties: Touriga Nacional (75%) and centuries-old vines (25%)

Soils: Schist

Zones: Cima Corgo

Integrated Production Way

Harvest: By hand

Yield level: 2700 Kg/ha

### Additional Winemaking Notes

100% destemmed

Ageing: 12 months in new French oak barrels

Alcohol: 14,5% Vol.

Bottling: June 2022

Production: 5000 bottles

### 2020 Harvest

From the 6<sup>th</sup> of September to the 10<sup>th</sup> 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.

Since the 2005 harvest, this wine has been a fundamental piece in the history of Quinta Nova de Nossa Senhora do Carmo and in its maximum expression of terroir. Originally, Touriga Nacional was the first monovarietal vineyard planted in the region the Douro, now 45 years old, a vineyard plot of 1.65 ha with east-west exposure, a mixture of clones whose productivity is very low, with very compact clusters and small berries. Unique, this highly concentrated blend of Touriga Nacional, combined with centenary old vines, results in a wine with a very elegant profile, almost feminine, contrasting with an intense structure of juicy tannins of an enormous precision. The high gravity of a schist texture, the flowing profile, and the purple colour reflects the nature of the Touriga Nacional variety.

