



WINERY: Herdade do Esporão

**GRAPE VARIETIES:** Mainly Alicante Bouschet and Aragonês

**HARVEST: 2007** 

REGION: Alentejo COUNTRY: Portugal

**CERTIFICATION:** Garrafeira DOC Alentejo

WINE MAKER: David Baverstock and Luís Patrão

## WINE MAKER COMMENTS

**Colour/Condition:** Deep, dark, almost opaque. **Aroma:** It shows aromas of red wild berries, combined with toast and Smokey oak spice and some balsamic notes. **Palate:** It shows dense fruit, silky texture and robust tannins, fused into a very long and persistent finish. **Dishes:** Best with game dishes and the creamy texture of soft cheeses. **Temperature for serving**: 16 – 18°C. **Quantity Produced:** 30.000 litres.

## VITICULTURE

**Soil Type**: Granite/schist rock with clay/loam soil. **Pruning System:** Bilateral cordon and double Guyot. **Average age of vines:** 20 years old. **Average Yield:** 35 hl/ha.

## VINIFICATION

Separate harvest for each variety, bunch selection on sorting table, destemming, crushing, fermentation in small open fermenters with foot treading and temperature control (22 to 25°C), pressing in a basket press, controlled malolactic fermentation in new french oak barrels. Matured in french oak barrels for 18 months, followed by 18 months in bottle before market release.

## **CHEMICAL ANALYSES**

Alcohol: 14,5%	Total Acidity: 6,86 gr/l	Volatile Acidity: 0,65 gr/l	Total SO <sub>2</sub> : 70 mg/l
<b>pH:</b> 3,5	Dry Extract: 33,1 gr/l	Reducing Sugar: 2,0 gr/l	Free SO <sub>2</sub> : 33 mg/l
	DETAILS		

<b>750 ml BOX</b> 6X750 ml	Weight: 10,024 Kg			<b>BOX</b> 3X750 ml	Weight: 6,151 Kg	
H – 17,5 cm	<b>W</b> – 24,9 cm	L – 31,9 cm		H – 10,2 cm	W – 33,5 cm	L – 28,0 cm
Palette BOX 88	<b>Weight:</b> 907 Kg	m <sup>3</sup> : 1,4976		BOX 88	Weight: 566 Kg	m <sup>3</sup> : 1,2192
H – 156 cm	<b>W</b> – 80 cm	<b>L</b> – 120 cm	ITF: 356	<b>H</b> – 127 cm	W – 80 cm	<b>L</b> – 120 cm
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