



# **MONTE VELHO**

# Red Wine 2018

### Regional Alentejano

**Concept:** A wine for every occasion. With a balanced and gastronomic profile, it offers the best aromas and flavours of Alentejo grapes.

Harvest: After a dry and cold winter, a rainy spring followed, restoring the proper moisture levels in the soil to initiate the vegetative cycle. The fact that temperatures in the spring, and until mid-summer, were milder than in previous years, somewhat delayed the entire cycle, but enabled good plant development. At the beginning of August, a heat wave that lasted five consecutive days, with temperatures above 43 degrees and strong gusts of wind, caused severe damage to the varieties that are more sensitive to this type of weather, leading to production losses. However, most of our vineyards, where varieties better adapted to these conditions predominate, ripened slowly and regularly, ideal to preserve the freshness and aromatic intensity of the white wines, and texture, concentration and complexity of the red wines.

**Agricultura:** Soil Type: Granite/schist origin with clay/loam structure. Vineyard age: 17 years.

Grape Varieties: Aragonez, Trincadeira, Touriga Nacional, Syrah & others;

**Vinification:** Destemming, crushing, temperature controlled alcoholic fermentation in stainless steel tanks, pressing, malolactic fermentation, aged for at least 3 months in stainless steel tanks.

**Bottling:** February 2019

### **Technical information:**

Alcohol / Volume: 13% Total Acidity: 6.2 g/l

pH: 3.65

Reducing Sugar: 1.9 g/l

Formats: 375ml, 750ml, 1.5l, 3l, 5l & 9l

Winemakers' Notes: David Baverstock & Sandra Alves.

Colour: Clear appearance, ruby colour.

Aroma: Red and wild berries, nicely enveloped in subtle notes of fresh spices.

Palate: Intense and rich, with a solid structure and long finish.

### **Awards & Critiques:**

Monte Velho 2017 Mundus Vini - 85 Points

Monte Velho 2016

Concours Mondial de Bruxelles - 84 Points

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