

RESERVA RED 2018



Quinta dos Murças Reserva comes from the estate's oldest vineyards, on west-facing slopes ranging from 150m to 280m in altitude. This terroir yields a classic, signature wine of great elegance and ageing potential

HARVEST

This was another atypical year in Douro. Winter was cold and dry, Spring was cold and very rainy, and Summer, initially cold and rainy, then turned hot and extremely dry, marked by the effects of sunstroke and dehydration at the beginning of August. This unstable climate had substantial impact on the decline in production. Ripening occurred later than usual; therefore we only began to harvest Margem vineyards on 10th of September. The grapes presented very good acidity resulting in concentrated and elegant wines.

Viticulture

Vineyard area: 15 hectares

Production method: Integrated Production

(SATIVA certified)

Soil geology: Mica schiste

Vineyard age: Planted in 1980

GRAPE VARIETIES

Tinta Roriz, Tinta Amarela, Tinta Barroca, Touriga Nacional, Touriga Franca, Sousão, among others.

WINEMAKING

Harvested and sorted by hand, destemmed, crushed, foot trodden, temperature-controlled alcoholic fermentation (25- 28°C) with indigenous yeasts in granite lagares and pressed in an antique vertical press.

AGEING

18 months in used French oak barrels

BOTTLED

July 2020

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Alcohol / Volume: 13.5% Total Acidity: 5.8 g/l

pH: 3.56

Residual Sugar: 0.6 g/l

BOTTLE SIZES

750 ml, 1500 ml

WINEMAKER

Jose Luis Moreira da Silva

COLOUR

Deep and intense.

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Complex, fresh and elegant with black fruits and balsamic aromas reminiscent of rockrose, and the spice notes typical of barrel ageing.

PALATE

Firm and concentrated, with marked and well-balanced acidity and ripe and enveloping tannins. The finish is long and persistent with fruity notes and outstanding balance and elegance.

AWARDS & REVIEWS

Robert Parker	Wine Enthusiast	Wine&Spirits
93+ pts 2015	91 pts 2017	93 pts 2017
90 pts 2013	93 pts 2015	90 pts 2015
91+ pts 2012	94 pts 2013	93 pts 2013
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Wine Spectator

92 pts | 2012