

National Portuguese Olive Oil Competition 2018

Esporão Olive Oil is the ‘Best on the Market’



Olival dos Arrifes Organic Olive Oil, produced by Esporão, was considered the Best Olive Oil on the Market, at the Concurso Nacional de Azeites de Portugal 2018 (*National Portuguese Olive Oil Competition*), held at the Feira Nacional de Agricultura (*National Agricultural Fair*), in Santarém.

Originating from the Olival dos Arrifes olive grove, this *terroir* olive oil is produced with the Cobrançosa and Arbequina varieties, resulting in an olive oil that is “harmonious, complex, slightly spicy and moderately bitter, a little astringent, with a nutty finish”. The olives come from Herdade do Esporão’s 80-hectare olive grove certified for organic production, and are carefully selected from the field to the olive mill.

Aside from this award, the jury granted gold medals to [Olival dos Arrifes Organic Olive Oil](#) in two categories: Organic Olive Oil and Fruity Green Smooth Olive Oil. [Galega Extra Virgin Olive Oil - Herdade do Esporão](#) won the silver medal in the Fruity Ripe Olive Oil and the Quinta dos Murças Extra Virgin Organic Olive Oil won the bronze medal in the Fruity Green Smooth category. The [DOP Norte Alentejano Olive Oil](#) also received a gold medal.

With the new olive mill located at the Estate and inaugurated in 2016, Esporão continues to produce quality olive oils, according to traditional cultural values and using only production processes that preserve the juices extracted from the fruit and their important benefits.

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Esporão olive oils win medals in several national and international competitions

In April 2018, Olival dos Arrifes Organic Olive Oil won the silver medal at the New York International Olive Oil Competition (NYOOC), in the Organic Delicate Blend category.

In May, at the Concurso de Azeite Virgem Feira Nacional de Olivicultura 2018 (*Virgin Olive Oil Competition National Olive-Growing Fair*), Olival dos Arrifes Organic Olive Oil won the gold medal in the categories Organic Olive Oil and Farm Olive Oil. In this competition, the DOP Norte Alentejano Olive Oil was recognised with the gold medal, and in the Galega Olive Oil category, the Galega Extra Virgin Olive Oil - Herdade do Esporão also won the gold medal.

Find out more about Esporão Olive Oils:

[EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT OLIVE OIL](#)

[Esporão: Olive oil production](#)

[Esporão: New Olive Mill](#)

Olival dos Arrifes Organic Olive Oil | 50 Cl – Recommended Retail Price w/ VAT €12,29
Galega Extra Virgin Olive Oil - Herdade do Esporão | 50 Cl – Recommended Retail Price w/ VAT €8,49
DOP Norte Alentejano Olive Oil | 50 Cl – Recommended Retail Price w/ VAT €8,49

About Esporão: Founded in 1973 by José Roquette and Joaquim Bandeira, Esporão is one of the leading wine companies in Portugal. Playing a predominant role in the national and international projection of Alentejo and the Douro, Esporão has also become an ambassador of Portuguese culture, developing its activities in a sustainable manner and building close relationships with clients and consumers all over the world. Esporão has operated in the Alentejo region since 1973, where it produces iconic wines such as Esporão Reserva and Monte Velho, as well as extra virgin olive oils. . Open since 1997, Herdade do Esporão's Wine Tourism operation was a pioneer in Portugal, and was considered the 'Best of 2016' by the magazine Revista Wine – A Essência do Vinho. To ensure continuity of the Esporão project, the group includes Quinta dos Murças, an estate in the Douro region that has been producing *terroir* wines with the Esporão quality guarantee since 2008. Esporão products are sold in all types of shops and restaurants in more than 50 countries worldwide. Esporão's holistic approach to implementing a wide range of innovative sustainable practises has led to national and international recognition, including the prestigious "Sustainability of the year award" at the "The Drinks Business Green Awards 2013". In 2014, Esporão won the "European Business Awards for the Environment" in the category "Products & Services".

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