



MONTE VELHO ALTITUDE

Red Wine 2018

Alentejo Region

Concept: This limited edition reinforces the diversity of the Alentejo. Originating from our vineyards in the hills of Serra de São Mamede (Portalegre), in the north of the Alentejo region, it is planted at an altitude of up to 600m. Here, the summers are cooler and more humid, resulting in a balanced, fresh wine with good potential for ageing.

Harvest Year: A cold, dry winter was followed by a rainy start to the spring, restoring soil moisture levels suitable for the beginning of the growing cycle. The fact that spring temperatures, and even mid-summer temperatures, were milder than in previous years led to the whole cycle being delayed, but allowed good plant development.

The continental climate, softened by the altitude, brings about a summer with lower temperatures and higher humidity than in the south of the province, which allows for slow and regular maturation, ideal for preserving the freshness, texture, concentration and complexity of this wine.

Viticulture: Vineyards certified in Integrated Production Mode. Predominantly granitic soils, interspersed with shale patches, with an altitude of 200 to 600m.

Varieties: Trincadeira, Aragonez, Alicante Bouschet and a mix of red grapes from old vines.

Vinification: Harvesting, destemming, crushing, alcoholic fermentation in temperature-controlled stainless steel vats (at 22 to 25°C), pressing followed by malo-lactic fermentation in a stainless steel vat.

Bottling: September 2019

Technical information:

Alcohol/Volume: 14%
Total Acidity: 6.23 g/l
pH: 3.43
Reducing Sugar: 2.0 g/l

Available Formats: 750 ML.

Winemakers Notes by: David Baverstock and Sandra Alves.

Colour: Clear appearance, intense ruby red.

Aroma: Forest fruits and blueberries, with a distinct freshness, some moss and freshly ground black pepper.

Palate: In the mouth it is intense, elegant and moreish, with notes of ripe but fresh red fruits and hints of minerality.

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