



ASSOBIO RED

2021

DOC DOURO

DOURO – ALTITUDE – FRESHNESS

Close to one of Quinta dos Murças' boundaries, we can find a valley formed by steep slopes. Here, in this mostly north-facing location, which is more sheltered from the sun, we can hear the wind whistling when it blows. The Assobio range comes from vines like those found there, from plots with unique characteristics, and planted at higher altitudes.

Concept: Respecting the winegrowing tradition of the world's oldest demarcated region, the wines produced are based on the region's indigenous varieties. Versatile and gastronomic, they express the Douro's freshest side.

Harvest Year: It was a year marked by a winter that was warmer and drier than usual and a spring with large temperature fluctuations and rainfall. Early summer was marked by thunderstorms and heavy hail at the end of June and a cooler and more humid July. The temperatures increased in August, which accelerated ripening. We started harvesting the red grapes on 6 September, with good acidity and intensity.

Viticulture:

Soil Geology: Schist

Age of Vines: about 20 years old

Varieties: Touriga Nacional, Tinta Roriz, Touriga Franca

Vinification: Manual harvest, sorting table, destemming, crushing, pre-fermentation cold maceration, alcoholic fermentation with controlled temperatures (max. 25°C), pneumatic pressing.

Ageing: 10% of the blend aged in French oak barrels for 6 months.

Bottling: November 2022

Technical information:

Alcohol / Volume: 13.0 %

Total Acidity: 5.2 g/l

pH: 3.70

Reducing Sugar: < 1 g/l

Available Formats: 375ml, 750 ml, 1500ml, 3000ml, 5000ml, 9000ml

Winemakers' Notes: Lourenço Charters

Colour: Red, with violet hues.

Aroma: Intense and lively, dominated by red fruits.

Palate: Good concentration, where its freshness and elegance stand out.

Awards & Reviews:

2017 Harvest:

Decanter
91 pts – Highly recommended

2015 Harvest:

Wine Spectator
TOP 100 Best Values

2014 Harvest:

Wine Spectator
90 pts

Mundus Vini
Silver

2012 Harvest:

Mundus Vini
Gold

2011 Harvest:

Wine Enthusiast
94 pts

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