

### MINAS RED 2022



Quinta dos Murças Minas comes from vineyards planted on a hillside at altitudes ranging from 110 to 300 metres where south-facing vineyards produce more highly concentrated grapes. These same slopes are graced with several natural springs, which refresh the area and help maintain a balance between greater ripening and the characteristic Murcas freshness.

#### HARVEST

It was an atypical year and one that will be marked by high temperatures and low precipitation. Winter with temperatures + 1.5°C higher than the average and 80% less precipitation. Spring continued to be drier and warmer than normal. However, during the harvest, at the end of August and September, temperatures dropped and helped the vines to finish their cycle. We started the Minas plots' harvest on the 30th of August, with a good balance of fruit.

## **VITICULTURE**

Vineyard area: 15 hectares

Production method: Organic (Sativa certified)

Soil geology: Shale and Weathered Shale

Vineyard age: Planted between 1987 and 2011

# **GRAPE VARIETIES**

Touriga Franca, Tinta Francisca, Touriga Nacional, Tinto Cão and Tinta Roriz.

## WINEMAKING

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

### **AGING**

Approximately 9 months in concrete vats and used French oak barrels

# BOTTLING 12 July 2023

### TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Alcohol / Volume: 12,5% Total Acidity: 5,2 g/l

pH: 3.63

Residual sugar: <0,6 g/l

## **BOTTLE SIZES**

750 ml, 1500 ml, 5000ml

#### WINEMAKER

Lourenco Charters

#### **COLOUR**

Intense, with purplish hints.

## NOSE

Lush and concentrated, with ripe red and black fruits predominating, and a touch of floral and balsamic notes reminiscent of rockrose.

# PALATE

Fresh and lively, with firm and mature tannins, and well-balanced acidity. Finish is long and persistent, showcasing the balance between freshness and ripeness.

### **AWARDS & REVIEWS**

Wine Enthusiast	Decanter	Wine Advocate
93 pts   2021	93 pts   2021	90 pts   2015
90 pts   2019		
91 pts   2018	Wine&Spirits	<i>Revista</i> Adega
91 pts   2017	91 pts   2019	94 pts   2019
90 pts   2016	90 pts   2015	

#### **ESPORÃO**