

QUINTA DOS
MURÇAS
DOURO · PORTUGAL

MINAS RED 2023



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 Murças freshness.

HARVEST

The harvest year was characterized by another atypical year, with a warm and rainy winter, a very hot and dry spring, and a warm summer classified as normal due to the rainfall recorded in June and September. Throughout the vegetative cycle, high temperatures and low precipitation in some months contributed to a year considered warm and normal in terms of rainfall but with deviations in the climatic pattern. We began harvesting the Minas plots on August 28, with good fruit balance.

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

22 July 2023

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Alcohol / Volume: 13%

Total Acidity: 5,5 g/l

pH: 3.60

Residual sugar: <0,1g/l

BOTTLE SIZES

750 ml, 1500 ml, 5000ml

WINEMAKER

Lourenço Charters & Mafalda Magalhães

COLOUR

Intense, with purplish hints.

NOSE

Exuberant and concentrated, dominated by ripe red and black fruits, some floral aromas, and balsamic notes such as cistus.

PALATE

Characterized by freshness and vivacity, it has firm, fine, and mature tannins, with well-integrated acidity. It finishes long and persistent, standing out for the balance between its freshness and ripeness.

AWARDS & REVIEWS

Wine Enthusiast

91 pts | 2022

92 pts | 2021

90 pts | 2019

91 pts | 2018

91 pts | 2017

90 pts | 2016

Decanter

93 pts | 2021

Wine&Spirits

91 pts | 2019

90 pts | 2015

Wine Advocate

90 pts | 2015

Revista Adega

94 pts | 2019