

## QUINTA DOS MURÇAS VV47

RED 2017

### DOC DOURO

Quinta dos Murças is located in northern Portugal, on the right bank of the River. It is characterized by its 8 diverse terroirs, which are distinguished by different altitudes, exposures, variations of schist soils and vertical vineyards. In 1947, the estate became a pioneer with the first vertical vineyard planted in the Douro region.

**Concept:** Quinta dos Murças VV47 results from the oldest vertical vineyard planted in the Douro, in 1947 (VV47), facing southeast. The highest expression of the terroir, characterized by elegance, balance and complexity.

**Vintage:** This was an unusually hot and dry year. The long absence of rain and extremely high temperatures during the spring accelerated the grapes' evolution and ripening. The harvest took place on September 20th.

### Viticulture:

Production method: Integrated production (SATIVA certified)

Soil type: Schist

Age of vines: Planted in 1947

**Grape varieties:** Field blend of indigenous grape varieties: Touriga Franca, Tinta Roriz, Rufete, Marufo and others.

**Vinification:** Hand-picked grapes, destemming, crushing, fermentation with indigenous yeasts and temperature control (25°C – 28°C) in granite 'lagares', foot treading and pressing in an old-style vertical press.

**Maturation:** Aged in used French oak casks for 18 months.

**Bottled:** May 26 2020

### Technical information:

Alcohol / Volume: 13%

Total acidity: 5,6 g/l

PH: 3,64

Reducing sugar: 0,6 g/l

**Available formats:** 750 ml, 1500ml

**Winemakers' notes:** José Luís Moreira da Silva and David Baverstock.

**Colour:** Deep and intense, with violets hues.

**Aroma:** very complex, intense and lively showing mature red fruits, balsamic notes from old vines.

**Palate:** Great balance and elegance, with fine mature tannins and balancing acidity. Long and persistent finish, with potential for great longevity in the bottle.

### Awards:

2015: Wine Enthusiast 95

2013: Wine Enthusiast 95

2012: Wine Enthusiast 95

