



QUINTA
DE LA ROSA



RED WINE

DOURO TINTO 2007 RESERVE

Ageing	10+ years
Production	17,800 bottles
Alcohol	14.8%
Total Acidity	5.18 G/dm ³
Volatile Acidity	0.7 G/dm ³
Ph	3.59
SO ₂	83 Mg/dm ³
Residual Sugars	2.9 G/dm ³

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Grape Varieties

Produced from the main port varieties, notably Touriga Nacional, Tinta Roriz, Tinta Cão and Touriga Franca, and selected from the best parcels of Quinta de la Rosa's vineyards.

Production Notes

2007 was an exceptional year for both port and wine in the Douro valley. Excellent meteorological conditions allowed optimal maturation of the grapes giving intense, concentrated and well balanced wines with rounded and mature tannins.

The winter/spring was very wet replenishing the water table and leaving much moisture in the soil. The grapes ripened slowly during a relatively cool but sunny summer. A hot start to September allowed the sugar levels to rise quite dramatically enabling us to pick in mid September. We knew it was likely to be a fully declared year when the grapes came into the adega (winery) in excellent condition and quality.

Maturation and bottling

Most of the grapes were trodden in temperature controlled granite lagares; the rest were pumped over in small stainless steel vats. The wine was matured in Allier French oak casks before being bottled in April 2009.

Tasting Notes

The Reserve 2007 is a very intense yet refined wine. Extremely aromatic and concentrated, it manages to hold immense freshness which makes it appear very elegant and delicate. Firm tannins are well present enveloping sweet, seductive, ripe black cherry fruits. The wine is showing very well now despite an enormous potential for ageing.

Serving Suggestions

The wine would be best served with red meats and more powerful dishes. It also goes well with cheese, especially the Serra cheese found in Portugal

Press

94 points - Wine & Spirits, April 2010; 92 points Wine Spectator, April 2010; 92 - Parker, March 2010; Best wine of the region, Revista dos Vinhos - 17.5 points, Nov 2009; First place in Spanish/Portuguese tasting with 550 points *Quinta de la Rosa obtiene el primer puesto en la Cata Transfronteriza de Porto*