

VINHA DO LADO - SINGLE VINEYARD 2020

Vinha do Lado is named after a small vineyard next to the Vila Santa winery in Estremoz. This is a 1,5ha plot of Tinta Caiada, planted on a south-facing slope with schist soils. Limited edition of 6600 bottles.

Denomination

DOC Alentejo

Viticultural Year

The year 2020 was characterized by a cold winter and a rainy spring, causing some mildew and powdery mildew in the vineyards. The summer was hot and dry, which reduced the pressure of phytosanitary diseases. In the second half of August there was some rain, which helped the plants to finish the maturation of the grapes. Despite some loss in production due to bunch dehydration, the 2020 wines are very concentrated wines.

Grape Varieties

Tinta Caiada

Harvest

By hand to small cases of 15 kg

Vinification

The bunches are de-stemmed and pass by a sorting table for an optimum selection of the berries. The grapes are then crushed before going to traditional shallow open marble troughs known as lagares, where they are foot trodden. Alcoholic fermentation is finished in stainless steel tanks, followed by 12 days post-fermentative maceration.

Ageing

In first and second year half oak French and Hungarian barrels, for a period of 12 months.

Intense colored wine that combines aromas of ripe fruit, truffles and vanilla. In the mouth it reveals good acidity, soft, but with firm tannins, and a long finish.



Vines Age 1999

Altitude 275 metres Solar Exposure

Soils Schist

Best Served

16-18° C

Vineyard Trellis System

Bilateral cord

Bottling February 2022 Alcohol 14%

Analytical Data

Total Acidity: 5,9 gr/L

pH: 3,37

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Residual Sugar: < 4 gr/L