

TABOADELLA

1255

Reserva Encruzado

White 2025



The Encruzado grape variety, also known as Salgueirinho, is an endemic grape variety of the Dão region. We share our care for the Encruzado grape variety in this plot, situated in the sheltered, high-altitude land of the Taboadella vineyard, in granites that have been metamorphosed over hundreds of thousands of years. The delicate development of the crossed vines requires extra attention during the growing season. The returns are enormous – a firm and exuberant wine, with a silky texture, a linear structure and striking depth. It's a wine of the present and future.

OVERVIEW

First Harvest: 2018 **Owner:** Amorim Family

Winemaker: Rodrigo Costa

VINEYARD

Grape Varietie: 100% Encruzado

Soils: Granitic **Sub-region:** Castendo **Production method:** Integrated

Harvest: By hand **Average Yield:** 6000 kg/ha

ADDITIONAL WINEMAKING NOTES

100% whole grape

Ageing: 50% in used 500-liter French oak barrels, 30% in cement Tulipe tanks and 20% in stainless steel tanks (6 months)

Alcohol: 13.5% Vol. **Bottling:** April 2026 **Production:** 60000 bottles

2025 HARVEST

The year 2025 at Taboadella proved to be particularly irregular, with a very rainy spring and a hot, extremely dry summer. The rainfall recorded in January, March, and April helped restore good water reserves in the soil. Despite the increased risk of mildew (associated with the combination of rain and high temperatures), the later budburst-also influenced by late pruning-in a more northern area of the Dão region coincided with the absence of rainfall in May and June, allowing for a less interventionist approach to phytosanitary management.

Even with the dry summer, the vines maintained good vegetative balance thanks to the accumulated water reserves, with older vineyards showing particular resilience. As a result, excellent grape health was observed, reflected in high-quality musts: in whites, with good aromatic purity, and in reds, with a strong color profile.
