

TABOADELLA

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The Alfrocheiro grape variety first emerged in Portugal and in the Dão region after the phylloxera epidemic, and finds its natural territory in this region. We do not know of any foreign or national origins of this grape variety, but it was once known as the “Tinta Francesa de Viseu” (equal to French red grape variety from Viseu). It is a very rare, high-altitude grape variety, that teaches us to produce small amounts and respect its fragility, in order to obtain firm, delicate and structuring tannins.



GENERAL

First Vintage: 2018
Owner: Amorim Family
Winemakers: Jorge Alves &
Rodrigo Costa
Viticulture: Ana Mota

VINE

Grape varieties: 100% Alfrocheiro
Soils: Granitic
Zone: Silvã de Cima, Castendo
Mode of production: Integrated
Harvest: Manual
Average Yield: 3800 Kg/Ha

ADDITIONAL WINEMAKING NOTES

100% Destemmed by vibration
Ageing:
30% in 500 liters new french oak barrels and 70% in old oak barrels for 9 months
Alcohol: 14% Vol.
Bottling: April 2021
Production: 12600 bottles

2019 HARVEST

From 23 September to 15 October
Spring began earlier in 2019, with initial signs in January and February. The technical team took the right decision to delay the vegetative cycle. The vines were only pruned in March, thereby preventing production losses caused by the late April frosts in the Dão demarcated wine region. There was higher than normal rainfall during the spring period, which had the positive impact of restoring necessary water levels in the soil and thereby ensured perfect development of the remaining vegetative cycle. The summer was mild and fresh, which enabled a very balanced ripening of the grapes, without any hydric stress.

The harvest proved to be generous in terms of the quantity and quality of the grapes. We were able to create unique wines based on our technical work and knowing how to wait for the right moments, in the search for the best natural balance, combined with careful control of the phenolic ripeness of the grapes.

The precision, complexity, concentration and generous fruit, combined with the elegance and fluidity of the musts, enabled us to produce wines with a profile and richness that reflect our unique terroir.

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