



QUINTA DE LA ROSA

PRODUCTION

50% Touriga Nacional, 10% Tinta Roriz, 10% Touriga Franca, with the rest coming from mixed field planted vines. Fermented and matured in stainless-steel vats.

TERROIR

Still largely unexplored, the terroir in the Douro offers incredible opportunity. None more so than La Rosa's, whose vines rise dramatically out of the river with the imposing Vale do Inferno vineyard, and climb steadily upwards to top out at 500m with Lamelas, whose magnificent views overlook the very heart of the region. The estate's grapes are category A – the very best the Douro has to offer.

Schist soil along with the extremely varied topography enable rich, full bodied wines to have remarkable acidity, minerality, and freshness. And it is this for which La Rosa has become renown; elegant wines that express terroir in bottle without too much extraction, tannin, oak.

VINTAGE

A mild a dry winter was followed by a spring with equally little rainfall. Fortunately, after a few smaller years, 2019 saw a return to higher yields as there was optimal weather during the flowering period. In spite of the heatwaves seen across much of Europe in July, the Douro experienced a relatively cool yet dry summer with near ideal conditions, including perfectly timed rainfall on 25 August to refresh the vineyards. Shortly thereafter, a short stint of unseasonably hot weather challenged the vines in their final maturation phase leading to a slightly longer vintage than is customary.

The vintage started on 12 September with some of the hotter parcels of Vale do Inferno. As is the case with previous years, it was crucial to pay close attention to each individual vine, only picking those who had ripened whilst leaving some terraces for later. By 16 September the harvest had started in earnest and in general picking condition were good. A brief bout of rain on 21 September helped refresh the vines before the final few weeks of picking. The harvest concluded on 10 October back in Vale do Inferno with the final few parcels.

TASTING NOTES

douROSA wines are blended to be easy and approachable wines for immediate drinking. The 2019 is medium bodied with generous, ripe red fruits and a touch of herbaceousness, that is balanced by smooth tannins that give this wine a certain elegance.



douROSA RED WINE
2019



750ml

Technical Information:

Aging	Alcohol	Production	Total Acidity	Residual Sugars	pH
Now - 5 years	13.5%	20,000 bottles	5.3 g/dm ³	2.26 g/dm ³	3.58