



QUINTA DE LA ROSA

PRODUCTION

60% Touriga Nacional, 40% mixed field planted old vines, all from La Rosa's estate. Foot trodden in granite lagares for an evening before being transferred to stainless-steel vats for fermentation. Matured for 20 months in used French oak casks. Bottled in August 2019.

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 majestically up to an altitude of 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 and granite soils 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 renowned; elegant wines that express terroir in bottle without too much extraction, tannin, oak.

The majority of La Rosa Reserva Red's grapes come from the Estate's very best vineyards; namely that of Vale do Inferno and Vinha Grande.

VINTAGE

Portugal, like the rest of Europe, experienced a particularly dry and hot spring and summer. High temperatures (40C+) and the lack of rain from June onwards meant that there were initial signs of water stress and dehydration, especially in south facing vines at lower altitude. As our vines have adapted well to these extreme conditions expectations were high. Thankfully, the grapes matured well, although somewhat earlier than expected.

The 2017 vintage was one of the earliest of all time. La Rosa started picking from hottest parcels of Vale do Inferno on 21st August, whilst leaving others to mature further. Marginally fresher weather in mid-August helped develop aromas and complexity where needed. Overall, 2017 turned out to be an exceptional year for both port and wine with both displaying a remarkable combination of fruit, structure, and tannins.

TASTING NOTES

On the nose, extremely fresh ripe black fruits aromas combine with floral notes ending in hints of liquor and chocolate. Rich, full, and complex on the palate with bold flavours, all the while maintaining its defining elegance. Succulent tannins contribute to a very long and delicious finish.



DOC RESERVA RED WINE
2017

Technical Information:

Aging	Alcohol	Production	Total Acidity	Residual Sugars	pH
Now - 15 years +	14%	25,000 bottles	5.6 g/dm ³	0.7 g/dm	3.6



375ml



750ml



1500ml