

# **RESERVA RED 2017**



Quinta dos Murças Reserva comes from the estate's oldest vineyards, on west-facing slopes ranging from 150m to 280m in altitude. This terroir yields a classic, signature wine of great elegance and ageing potential

## HARVEST

2017 was an exceptionally warm, dry year. A prolonged draught accompanied by record high spring temperatures hastened the evolution and ripening of the grapes.

## Viticulture

Vineyard area: 15 hectares

Production method: Integrated Production (SATIVA certified)

Soil geology: Mica schiste

Vineyard age: Planted in 1980

## **GRAPE VARIETIES**

Tinta Roriz, Tinta Amarela, Tinta Barroca, Touriga Nacional, Touriga Franca, Sousão, among others.

### WINEMAKING

Harvested and sorted by hand, destemmed, crushed, foot trodden, temperature-controlled alcoholic fermentation (25- 28°C) with indigenous yeasts in granite lagares and pressed in an antique vertical press.

### AGEING

18 months in used French oak barrels

BOTTLED

July 2018

## **TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

Alcohol / Volume: 13.5% Total Acidity: 5.4 g/l pH: 3.66 Residual Sugar: 0.6 g/l

#### **BOTTLE SIZES**

750 ml, 1500 ml

### WINEMAKER

Jose Luis Moreira da Silva

## COLOUR

Deep and intense.

### NOSE

Complex, fresh and elegant with black fruits and balsamic aromas reminiscent of rockrose, and the spice notes typical of barrel ageing.

## PALATE

Firm and concentrated, with marked and wellbalanced acidity and ripe and enveloping tannins. The finish is long and persistent with fruity notes and outstanding balance and elegance.

## **AWARDS & REVIEWS**

| Robert Parker  | Wine Enthusiast | Wine Spectator |
|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| 93+ pts   2015 | 93 pts   2015   | 92 pts   2012  |
| 90 pts   2013  | 94 pts   2013   | 1              |
| 91+ pts   2012 | 94 pts   2012   |                |

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90 pts | 2015 93 pts | 2013

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