

Tecedeiras Reserva



TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Country	Portugal
Region	Douro
Vintage	2016
Producer	Quinta das Tecedeiras
Composition	Touriga Nacional, Touriga Franca, Tinta Roriz, Tinta Amarela, Tinta Barroca, and Tinto Cao
Press	90 points Wine Advocate

Winemaker Notes

All the Douro's big six grapes - Touriga Nacional, Touriga Franca, Tinta Roriz, Tinta Amarela, Tinta Barroca and Tinto Cão are here plus countless others that the farmers of this ancient region have traditionally planted in a rich, viticultural tapestry along the riverside terraces. This Reserva undergoes long maceration and fermentation. It is aged for over one year in French oak casks and then spends another year in bottle before heading to market. Good aging potential.

Tasting Notes

Color: deep ruby.

Nose: elegant from the word go. Wild red fruit, flowers and spicy toast for added complexity.

Palate: smooth and balanced tannins that reflect 16 months of aging in French oak. Long, aromatic finish.

Pairing Suggestions

Best with roasts, stews and other hearty meat or game dishes, or with more forceful vegetarian dishes such as mushroom risotto or older, riper cheeses

Vineyard

Somewhat different from their neighbours, Quinta das Tecedeiras' vineyards are mostly planted at low altitude starting from beach level along the banks of the river and they slope gradually up to around 190m altitude. The north- and west-facing terraces permit a gradual ripening of the grapes that produces a great concentration of aromas and flavors in the wines.

Vinification

Long maceration. Fermentation at 26°C. Aged for at least 14 months in French oak barrels. Excellent ageing potential.

Press

"The 2015 Reserva is a field blend from old vines aged for 12 months in French oak (40% new, 60% second use). This is a fairly straightforward Reserva in some ways, elegant and bright, but it does some things well enough to give it distinction. The wood nuances are controlled, with those used barrels incorporated. It has good structure and a fine finish with some intensity of fruit flavor. As it opens, the finish becomes ever more flavorful, leading to a juicy conclusion with plenty of grip and tension. This is very pleasing and it should age reasonably well. It could use another couple of years to come around, but will be approachable young." - *Mark Squires, 90 points, The Wine Advocate*