



**Producer:** Quinta da Pacheca **Appelation:** Douro DOC, Portugal **Harvest:** 2015

# **VITICULTURAL YEAR**

The 2015 vinicultural year began with a rainy spring after a rigorous winter which was later found to have a major importance in securing soil water reserves. This was the key to the drought and heat conditions that followed during June and July. In the maturation period during August, the diurnal and nocturnal temperatures were milder which allowed to preserve the acidity of the grapes obtaining balanced must and consequently elegant wines.

# VINEYARDS

This wine is obtained from grapes of the Toruiga Franca, Tinta Roriz and Touriga Nacional varieties that come from vineyards planted in Quinta da Pacheca with around 40 years old.

## VINIFICATION

After careful selection by their best state, the grapes were harvested for chests of 25 kg and sent to the winemaking center where they were fully de-stemmed. Fermentation occurred during 9 days in the traditional 14-ton granitic stone tanks with foot stepping and smooth reassembles for blanket leaching and extraction of phenolic and aromatic compounds. At the end of the alcoholic fermentation the wine was transferred into stainless steel vats where the malolactic fermentation occurred. Later, it was aged in new and 2nd year French oak barrels for 12 months.

#### **TASTING NOTES:**

Pacheca Superior Tinto presents an intense young ruby color. Reveals fruitiness in aroma with strong notes of blackberries and plums, balanced with chocolate notes that come from the barrels. It shows balance in the mouth with present rounded tannins and a long and persistent finish.

## **BARREL AGING**

12 months in new and 2nd year French oak barrels

#### **GRAPE VARIETIES**

Touriga Franca, Tinta Roriz and Touriga Nacional

# WINEMAKER

Europalata

Maria Serpa Pimentel

#### **CHEMICAL ANALYSIS**

Achohol by volume: 14% pH: 3,77 Total acidity: 5,2 g/L Residual Sugar: 0,7 g/L

## LOGISTIC INFORMATION

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6 x 75 CL	Cases / Layer	Layers / Pal	Cases / Pal	Bottle / Pal
	25	4	100	600

## Barcodes

 Bottle 75 Cl:
 5602947000416

 Case 6 x 75 Cl:
 15602947000802

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