

GARRAFEIRA

OVERVIEW

First harvest: 2019

Owner: Luísa Amorim

Winemakers: Jorge Alves and António Cavalheiro

Wine Growing: Joaquim Faia

VINEYARD INFORMATION

Sub-region: Alentejo | Serra do Mendro, Vidigueira

Soils: Clay-schist soils

Harvesting method: Manual

Production method: Integrated

ADDITIONAL WINEMAKING NOTES

Grape varieties: 70% Antão Vaz; 25% Arinto and 5% Alvarinho

Fermentation/ageing process: In 3000 lt French Oak barrels (new) and 15 months in a glass bottle

Alcohol: 14% alc.

Acidity: 5,6g/l

Bottled: June 2020

Production: 5 800 x 0.75l bottles and 115 x 1.5l bottles

HARVEST

26 August to 27 September 2019

The wine-growing year was atypical in climatic terms, not just because of the low rainfall level in the winter – which reduced potential outbreaks of disease – but above all because of the large variations in average temperatures which fostered a slight advance in the growing season.

This advance faded with the spring rains. The overall evolution recorded was quite favourable to the phytosanitary quality of the grapes.

The high thermal amplitudes permitted balanced maturation and excellent acidity levels.

The grapes developed regularly, delivering high quality musts, which resulted in full-bodied, dense and highly elegant wines, with remarkable aromatic exuberance.



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Herdade Aldeia de Cima's Garrafeira white mirrors the unique richness and freshness of the terroir of the Serra do Mendro, the respect for primary elements - soil, climate, grape variety - transports us to the culture of the village, our identity and the wines of yesteryear.

Here you look at the earth as if you were at home, in French oak barrels, looking for fine textures, mineral notes, the intense aromas of fresh fruit and the Mediterranean forest, the complexity from the perfumes of local grape varieties, grown at altitude mixed with the flavours derived from the soils of the sunny slopes, where the temperatures, moderated by the cool Atlantic winds, engende a different Alentejo, from the Serra do Mendro that divides the Alto Alentejo from the Baixo Alentejo.

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