

BURMESTER

A MATTER OF CHARACTER

2008 COLHEITA PORT

PORT WINE | PORTUGAL





Hand-picked at the optimum time, the grapes are then destemmed, crushed and converted into wine through a process of careful maceration to extract their colour, tannins and aromas, enhanced by constant churning during fermentation. This takes place in vats (lagares) at a controlled temperature (between 28-30°C) until the right degree of sweetness (baumé) is achieved. At this point, grape brandy is added to create the final fortified wine. A wine of high quality, made from one single harvest. A Colheita wine matures in oak barrels for periods of time that can vary, but never less than 7 years. It is then bottled and sold according to the demands of the market.



Brick-red colour. Intense and fruity on the nose, with aromas of syrup fruit well matched with notes of spice and dried fruit. In the mouth it is silky and elegant, a perfect example of a Burmester Colheita. Long finish with a surprisingly refreshing acidity.



Served slightly chilled, it will reveal all its fineness and sophistication when accompanied by, for example, a piece of beef stuffed with dried fruit and foie gras, and desserts made with caramel, dried fruit and spice, such as caramel fondant, crème brulée and medium-strength cheeses.



VINE

The rows of vines are traditionally planted across the slope in horizontal terraces. More recently vines have been planted up the slope (called "vinha ao

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Schistous-sandstone (greywacke), interspersed with granite in some places.

alto", meaning vertically planted).

HEIGHT

Up to 600 meters.

GRAPE VARIETIES

Touriga Nacional, Touriga Franca and Tinta Roriz.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Alcohol 20% pH 3,41 Total Acidity 4,22 g/dm³ Reducing Sugars 110 g/dm³

WINEMAKER Carlos Alves



The wine should be stored in a cool and dry place, sheltered from light and temperature fluctuations, and the bottle should remain in an upright position. Over time, it is natural that sediment will form at the bottom of a bottle of Port wine. To ensure its full quality and flavour, this wine should be stored in bottle for as little time as possible, and should be drunk within 2 to 4 months. Best served at a temperature between 14 and $16^{\circ}\text{C}.$