

BURMESTER

A MATTER OF CHARACTER

2012 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.



Brown tones with red hues. Elegant and engaging on the nose, showing notes of dried and sweet fruit combined. In the mouth, the aromas of its ageing in wood are combined with notes of candied fruit, making this a harmonious wine.



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 brûlée* and medium-strength cheeses. Despite the age, its freshness endures.



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 alto”, meaning vertically planted).

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

HEIGHT
Up to 600 meters.

GRAPE VARIETIES
Touriga Franca, Touriga Nacional, Tinta Roriz, Tinta Barroca.

TECHNICAL DETAILS
Alcohol 20%
pH 3,52
Total Acidity 4,1 g/dm³
Total Sugars 102 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 6 months. Best served at a temperature between 14 and 16°C.