

Pombal do Vesuvio DOC Douro, Quinta do Vesuvio

Upper Douro Valley, Portugal



Product code	QV0821RC
Grapes	Touriga Franca
Country	PORTUGAL
ABV%	15
Case Size	6
Closure Style	Cork
Producer	Quinta do Vesuvio
Vintage	2021







Producer

Quinta do Vesuvio is arguably the most magnificent estate in the Douro valley. Located in the beautiful and austere grapegrowing region of the Upper Douro Valley, its history dates back to the 16th Century. All of the grapes are hand-picked, with a careful selection being made. Vesuvio is one of the very few estates in the Douro where all of the wines are made using the traditional treading method in granite lagares, among the largest in the Douro valley, and offered exclusively as a single Quinta Vintage Port. Vesuvio is now ranked as one of the top-tier Vintage Port producers.

Tasting Notes

Balsamic aromas of woodland and forest floor with resinous notes. In the background there are also hints of wildflowers and black fruits. On the palate, it shows itself powerful and tense, still a little reserved, but reveals an enormous gastronomic profile - a characteristic of 'Pombal do Vesúvio'. The fine-grained tannins give a touch of spice and underpin the powerful structure of the wine whose acidity provides freshness and balance.

Winemaking

"We had a very dry and mild winter and spring, and by late summer the vines were in need of water to keep maturations on track. Fortunately, the virtual absence of rain from May to late August was counterbalanced by cooler summer conditions, which attenuated the lack of water. Fortunately, some rainfall in late August and ideal conditions through September, led to a balanced ripening of the various components of the grapes - reflected in the excellent balance between acidity and sugar levels. Yields were very close to average after the two very short years of 2017 and 2018. The grapes entered the winery in excellent condition with wellbalanced ripeness. Freshness and vibrancy are the signature of the 2019 wines. "