

White Port, Dow's Douro Valley, Portugal



Product code	DW18NVFC
Grapes	Port Blend White
Country	PORTUGAL
ABV%	19
Case Size	6
Closure Style	Cork
Producer	Dow's / Symington
	Family Estates
Vintage	NV



Producer

The roots of Dow's standing as a great Port house reach back over 200 years. Throughout the 19th and 20th centuries, Dow's Vintage Ports have been landmark wines in virtually every great year, consistently setting the standard amongst all Port houses. Vintage Ports such as the remarkable Dow 1896, the 1927, 1945 1955, 1963 and so on until the Dow 1994 are all legends in the history of this great wine. These Ports are still magnificent today, even when 50 or 100 years old. Few wines can claim this quality and pedigree. In 1912, Andrew Symington became a partner in Dow's and today five members of the family own and work in the company: they personally manage all aspects of winemaking from the vineyard to the final bottling.

Tasting Notes

Aged primarily in wood, gaining a rich golden colour and an intense, rich, nutty aromatic complexity. A certain amount of the wine is not wood aged and is blended in to add freshness and fruit character. Balanced and smooth palate with excellent acidity and a long finish.

Viticulture

The grapes for Dow's White Port are drawn from vineyards across the Douro Valley where the stony schist soil afford excellent drainage allowing water to reach the vines' deep roots. The climate is consistent, a combination of temperate and Mediterranean influences and rainfall is between 400-800mm annually. The vineyards are planted primarily with Malvasia Fina and Gouveio (better known as Verdelho).

Winemaking

Aged for an average of 3 years before release.