

FLOR DE CRASTO RED 2021

Appellation

Douro

Viticultural Year

2021 will be remembered for its freshness and elegance. In a year when particularly unstable weather conditions presented challenges both in the vineyard and in the winery, it took a large dose of meticulous planning, periodic monitoring, and adaptability to achieve the level of excellence that was finally accomplished

Following a cold winter with abundant rainfall, the vines began the growth cycle with healthy water reserves. Mild temperatures from budburst to veraison meant that the vines underwent very little stress, hastening the growth cycle by approximately 15 days relative to the five-year average.

The harvest began in the last week of August with hot, dry days and cold nights. The first rains came on the 1st and 2nd of September, as the average temperature fell, and harvesting was completed smoothly amidst pleasant temperatures.

This memorable year has produced elegant, full-bodied wines with excellent freshness, refined fruit aromas and silky tannins, wines with excellent bottle-ageing potential.

Grape Varieties

Tinta Roriz, Touriga Franca and Touriga Nacional

Winemaking

Grapes are taken to the winery in 22 kg boxes. After a rigorous selection, the stalks are removed and the grapes are crushed and transferred to stainless steel vats. The alcoholic fermentation takes place at controlled temperature for 7 days.

Ageing

In temperature-controlled stainless steel vats.

Tasting Note

Deep ruby in colour. The nose shows lovely floral notes well integrated with fresh aromas of red fruit. The palate starts with elegance, leading to a wine with good volume, fine texture and polished tannins. This is an engaging wine, with a balanced and fresh finish.



Technical Information

Age of Vines 10 to 16 years old Aspect, Soil and Altitude East - South - West - North 120-450m

Alcohol, ABV

Analysis Total Acidity: 5,33 gr/L pH: 3,67

Winemaker Manuel Lobo

Residual Sugar: 1,8 gr/L

Serving Temperatura 16-18°

Landscaping Vinha ao alto (rows of vines Bottling

June 2022

planted up and down the slope)

and patamares (terraces) with one and two rows of vines

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