



# JARDIM DA ESTRELA

DOC DÃO red 2015

## REGION

The D.O.C. Dão region is one of the oldest Wine Regions of Portugal, which goes back to 1908. Located in central Portugal in a mountainous region ranging from 400 to 700 m above sea level, this region has its reference point at the mountain "Serra da Estrela", the highest in mainland Portugal's. Its name comes from the river that crosses the Region, the river Dão. The characteristics of the wines are strongly influenced by the granitic terrain and the fact that the vines are inserted in forests with pines, eucalyptus and oak trees.

## VINEYARDS

The vineyard is planted following the traditional plantation methods, in poor ground granite soils, with large rocky outcrops, where you can have a magnificent perspective of the highness of the Mountain Serra da Estrela. The entire vineyard is planted following an integrated Production System, which demonstrates a great concern with the environmental issues.

## VINIFICATION

The harvest took place in the end of September. The grapes were picked up by hand, into small boxes of 18Kg, according to a careful selection of the best grapes in the vineyard. The grapes were totally destemmed into small stainless steel vats, where they macerated for 24h at low temperature, before starting fermentation. The fermentation lasted about 15 days, with gentle pumping for a good extraction of color and aromas. The wine remained only in stainless steel vats to preserve all the aromas of fresh fruit.

## WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Well defined aroma, with wild fruits and peppery notes. The palate shows youth, fruity notes with well integrated tannins and a medium and soft finish.

<b>Alcoholic Degree</b>	13,5 % vol.
<b>Total Acidity</b>	5,7 g/L
<b>pH</b>	3,65
<b>Total Sugars</b>	3,1 g/L
<b>Grape Varieties</b>	Touriga Nacional, Tinta Roriz and Alfrocheiro
<b>Aging</b>	Unoaked
<b>Winemaking</b>	Carlos Lucas



## PRESS & AWARDS

### Wine Enthusiast – 88 Points

Named after the Estrela mountain range that lies on the east of the Dão, this structured, mineral-driven wine is firm yet packed with juicy red berries and currants that give a fragrant, juicy character. It needs more time, so drink from 2017. — Roger Voss (10/1/2015)