

FONSECA PORT, DOURO VALLEY, PORTUGAL

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QUINTA DO PANASCAL



DETAILS OF PRODUCTION

This rich, velvety single quinta Vintage Ports made entirely from the produce of Quinta do Panascal. These are a pure expression of the estate's terroir. Like Guimaraens Vintage Ports, they are made in years producing softer more approachable wines which do not need to be cellared for a long time before being enjoyed. Located on the steep right bank of the Távora River, Panascal is one of the most highly reputed vineyards in the Douro Valley. In the words of a local saying, 'From Roncão and Panascal come the finest wines of Portugal'. Since its acquisition by the company in 1978 the estate has been the object of major investment intended, not only to bring new life to the vineyard, but to ensure that the estate produces outstanding wines which today form the backbone of the Fonseca Vintage Port blend. The wines of Quinta do Panascal are rich, with voluptuous fruitiness, mouth filling density and a velvety texture.

TASTING NOTES

A fat, plump, luscious wine. Full of rounded, ripe jammy fruit aromas. Almost warm 'marmalada' like note to the nose. The ripeness and richness of fruit is reinforced in the mouth with flavours of plump, bursting plums and cherries. Great notes of tobacco, smoky tea (lapsang) and spice. A warm, velvety, satiny wine. An enticingly very textural wine!

HOW TO SERVE

Store on its side at 16°C. Drink with walnuts, blue veined and other richly flavoured cheeses. So too are dried fruits such as apricots or figs.

"In the Fonseca tradition, this is a hugely rich wine, very dense. It is not all weight, with excellently integrated firm tannins and a range of complex flavors, from nuts and berry fruits to full frontal ripeness. There is some dryness to finish. 94 points"

ROGER VOSS, WINE ENTHUSIAST, 1ST MARCH 2008
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VINTAGE 2004
STYLE Port
BLEND OF GRAPES Touriga Nacional Touriga Francesa Tinta Roriz Tinta Barroca Tinta Cão Tinta Amarela
WINEMAKER David Guimaraens
ALCOHOL 20%

