

90 pts &
Best Year's
Port

Wine & Spirits

QUINTA DO

PESSEGUEIRO

PORTO LBV 2011



WINEMAKER
WINERY
APPELLATION
REGION
GRAPE VARIETAL

João Nicolau de Almeida
Quinta Do Pessegueiro
Porto
Douro, Portugal
Touriga Franca 60% - Touriga Nacional 40%

HISTORY

Originally a leader in children's fashion, Roger Zannier is now involved in several wine-making regions in Portugal, and more recently in France. Roger Zannier had often gone to Portugal for business and it was during this time he discovered the Quinta Do Pessegueiro domain and immediately fell in love with the incredible Douro region.

In 1991, he bought the domain and planted vineyards. Over time, the domain expanded to three plots in the Douro region. Family is important to Zannier which is why he chose his Burgundian son-in-law, Marc Monrose, as his successor.

TERROIR

The grapes come from two plots of 40 year-old vines: 60% Touriga Franca with southwest exposure and an altitude of 250m. 40% Touriga Nacional with northwest exposure and an altitude of 150 m. Both soils are salty with little earth and many stones

VINTAGE

The wine growing year 2011 was characterized by a very rainy winter followed by a hot spring, but with some rain. This allowed vigorous growth of the vines. In turn, the months of June and July were quite warm and dry. The same happened in August, despite the occasional downpour, which allowed a very balanced ripening of the grapes.

WINEMAKING

After manual harvesting into 25-kilogram cases, the grapes are stored in a cold room for 12 hours. The winemaking process involves the grapes being trodden for 5 days. During ageing and until bottling, this wine was not subject to any type of filtration or other treatment. Bottled in July 2015.

AGEING

The wine was aged for 3 years and half in 600 liter port oak barrels.

STYLE

Eye: Intense ruby color. **Nose:** Has a complex aroma, including aromas of woodland, gum rockrose and red fruits such as blueberries and cherries. **Palate:** Has good volume, plenty of fruit and marked tannins with a dry finish.

TECHNICALS

Alcohol: 20%

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