Francos Grande Escolha Red 2015



Region

The Vinho Regional Lisboa (previously known as Estremadura) extends north and west of Lisbon, following the rugged Atlantic coastline. It is Portugal`s third largest wine producing region in volume terms, but arguably the source of the country`s best value table wines. Most of the region enjoys a maritime climate that allows production of fresh whites and balanced red wines. The last ten years have seen a surge of ambitious small growers making far more interesting wines across a wide selection of grape varietals.

Producer

DFJ Vinhos is one of Portugal`s most innovative and highly awarded wine producers, winning best Portuguese producer in both the New York International Competition and Berliner Wine competition in 2018. They control estates in the Lisboa, Douro, Setubal, Alentejo and Tejo wine regions and work with 22 different grape varieties. The company is headed by Portugal's top winemaker, José Neiva, who has now been leading the way for over 40 years and, at the recent `Portuguese Wine Oscars`, he was made `Senhor do Vinho` - the highest accolade for an outstanding career.

Tasting Notes

A blend of three traditional portugese varietals; Touriga Franca, Alicante Bouschet and Tourigo Nacional. A bright ruby red in colour with a rich, full bouquet of cherries and spice. Full bodied on the palate with a big structure and a harmonious balance between red fruits and the oak character from 15 months ageing in french oak barrels.

Food

Serve with cured meats, stews and strong hard cheese.

Technical Information

Country	Portugal
Region	Lisboa
Grape(s)	Touriga Franca (40%) Touriga Nacional (40%) Alicante Bouschet (20%)
Type	Red
Style	Smooth
Oaked Style	Oaked
Body Style	Medium bodied
Sustainable	No

Dry/Sweet Style	Dry	
Alcohol Content	13.5%	
Closure Style	Cork	
Organic/Biodynamic	No	
Allergens	**Milk:** **Egg:**	No No
Vegetarian/Vegan	**Vegetarian:** **Vegan:**	Yes Yes

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