

BURMESTER

A MATTER OF CHARACTER

2011 COLHEITA PORT

PORT WINE | PORTUGAL



Hand-picked at the optimum time, the grapes are then destemmed, crushed and converted into wine through a process of careful maceration to extract their colour, tannins and aromas, enhanced by constant churning during fermentation. This takes place in vats (lagares) at a controlled temperature (between 28-30°C) until the right degree of sweetness (baumé) is achieved. At this point, grape brandy is added to create the final fortified wine. A wine of high quality, made from one single harvest. A Colheita wine matures in oak barrels for periods of time that can vary, but never less than 7 years. It is then bottled and sold according to the demands of the market.



Brick in colour. A very fine bouquet, a feature of Burmester wines, showing notes that result from its ageing in wood – vanilla, toasted almonds and dried walnuts – plus a hint of balsamic. The palate reveals notes of dark chocolate, sweet fruit and a hint of spice, all combined to perfection, making this an elegant and engaging wine.



Served slightly chilled, it will reveal all its fineness and sophistication when combined with caramel desserts, dried fruits and cheeses of minimum intensity.



VINE
The rows of vines are traditionally planted across the slope in horizontal terraces. More recently vines have been planted up the slope (called “vinha ao alto”, meaning vertically planted).

HEIGHT
Up to 600 meters.

GRAPE VARIETIES
Touriga Franca, Touriga Nacional, Tinta Roriz, Tinta Barroca.

SOIL
Schistous-sandstone (greywacke), interspersed with granite in some places.

TECHNICAL DETAILS
Alcohol 20%
pH 3,47
Total Acidity 4,86 g/dm³
Reducing Sugars 107 g/dm³

WINEMAKER
Carlos Alves



The wine should be stored in a cool and dry place, sheltered from light and temperature fluctuations, and the bottle should remain in an upright position. Over time, it is natural that sediment will form at the bottom of a bottle of Port wine. To ensure its full quality and flavour, this wine should be stored in bottle for as little time as possible, and should be drunk within 2 to 4 months. Best served at a temperature between 14 and 16°C.