

Terra d'Alter 2021 Expressao Tinto (Alentejo)

WineWise Code	PTD-EXT21
Country	Portugal
Region	Alentejo
Color/Style	Red
Farming Practices	Sustainable
Varieties	45% Aragonêz 45% Trincadeira 10% Syrah
ABV	14
Residual Sugar	0.3
Acidity	6.4
Closure	Natural Cork
Case Size	12x75l
Pricing	Discountable
Maceration	cool ferment at 20 degrees C.
Pumpover/Punchdown	run downs
Destemming	Complete
Fermentation Vessel	Stainless Steel
Fermentation Duration	5 days
Aging Method	Stainless Steel 100%
Aging Duration (months)	3
Filtered	Yes
Fining Agents	None
Yeast	Cultured
Lees Contact/Stirring	3
Malolactic	Yes
Added Sulfur	Yes
Vineyard Name	Boavista, Monte Barrão & Antas
Soil Type	Calcareous, Granite, Gravel
Elevation (meters)	300
Vineyard Aspect	Southwest
Vine Age	20
Yields (hl/ha)	65
Picking	Machine
Annual Production	30000

Notes from the producer:

The Alentejo is the most southerly Portuguese region from which we buy wine, with the attendant risk of excessive heat. But that is not to reckon with the instincts and 35-year experience of Peter Bright, the celebrated Australian who is one of the founding partners of this young estate. One of the first of the “Flying Winemakers”, he has been settled in Portugal for many years now and arguably has more experience of the country’s varied vineyards than anyone else, allied to a top-notch technical know-how. He liked the soils of this corner and planted his flag here, with a view to making good value, modern wines from indigenous varieties. He has succeeded with a vengeance, so you can find in this range a brilliant collage of single varietal wines at very modest prices that offer you a fascinating view of some of Portugal’s most interesting varieties. We are beyond happy to report the return of his red wines to our range, better than ever!



WineWise Notes:

Unexpectedly lively for such a “southern” wine, the peppery spice of Peter’s beloved Syrah beautifully perking up the juiciness of the two indigenous grapes. Better wine cannot be found at this price! Expressão is the new name given to the estate’s “basic” wines.