

2011 Falorca Reserva Lagar

Quinta Da Falorca, Dao, Portugal

Product details

Vintage:	2011	Drinking:	2017
Producer:	Quinta Da Falorca	Alcohol:	
Region:	Dao	Variety:	
Country:	Portugal		

Tasting notes

This is a powerhouse, simply put. With the extra year in the bottle, though, it is also displaying its beautiful fruit, crisp, silky texture and lingering finish. The oak is a bit prominent, but it is already being pulled in. This shows fine potential now, well on its way to absorbing the tannins and oak. It seems like a different wine than now than when I first saw it. Its power also makes it a very different wine than the sexier Touriga red label also reviewed this issue, but they both have fine potential. Despite the power, you could approach this now with some air or decanting, but you will be better served giving it a few more years in the cellar.

About the producer

Quinta da Falorca covers 23 hectares in the Silgueiros sub-region of Dão and was established by the Costa Barros de Figueiredo family over 5 generations ago.

Amongst the olive groves, hazelnut and pine trees are four vineyards - Vale das Escadinhas, Barreiro, Esmoitada and Falorca - which cover 13 hectares in total. The vineyards are situated on the steep banks of the Dão river facing south with full exposure to the sun and are planted predominantly with Touriga Nacional, a complex grape best known for Port that has a great potential for ageing. Also planted are Tinta Roriz, Alfrocheiro Preto, Tinta Pinheira and Jaen and the white varieties Encruzado and Malvasia. They have invested heavily over the past 30 years in the vineyards to ensure that they grow absolutely exceptional grapes and the fruits of their labour are evident by the fact they have made it into ViniPortugal's '50 Greatest Portuguese Wines' on several occasions.

