

# BROADBENT AUCTION RESERVE PORT



Tinta Negra (red grape). The pretty pomegranate red hue provides a look into the heart of this Port. Light and fragrant violets and lavender are bolstered by the aromas of sweet blackberry and anise. There is also a whiff of spirit that is noticeable but does not detract. Broadbent's Auction Reserve offers a smooth, medium-bodied Port that delivers fresh, fruit forward boysenberry and plum flavors with a nice touch of chocolate that adds to the overall enjoyment of this wine. The tannins let you know they have shown up to the party, without being obtrusive. This new addition to the Broadbent stable of Ports delivers a lingering and fruit filled finish.

When describing the Douro Valley, Dirk Niepoort proclaims it the "hardest, most impressive, intense and expressive wine region in the world. It is more complicated than any other wine area I know, usually southern exposure is the best, but in the Douro we have about 45,000 hectares under vine, with vineyards ranging from 80 to 800 meters. The soils are mostly schist but there are variations within the schist, as well as granitic soils.

Broadbent Auction Reserve is a small production Port skillfully blended to taste consistent every time you buy it. It's a blend of the highest quality Ports, varying in age, to give it sophistication, elegance, depth and power.

Broadbent Auction Reserve is just one small step down from a Vintage Port. The name Auction Reserve was chosen because it represents the very finest Port and celebrates the life of Michael Broadbent, who organized the world's first wine auction in 1966. Bartholomew Broadbent founded Broadbent Port in conjunction with Dirk Niepoort, Portugal's most unique and creative winemaker.

The first vintage of Broadbent port was produced in 1994, when Bartholomew Broadbent, after spearheading the port revival in the U.S. and Canada, launched his own brand. That inaugural vintage was voted best in show at a comprehensive tasting of vintage port during the Aspen Food & Wine Classic. Broadbent port is made, to Broadbent's specifications, by the esteemed Dirk Niepoort.

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## *Tasting Note:*

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## *Shelf Talker:*



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