CASA FERREIRINHA 'PAPA FIGOS' DURO RED

An oaked blend of classic port varieties Touriga Franca, Tinta Barroca, Tinta Roriz & Touriga Nacional. A lovely, deep ruby color with an intense aroma dominated by notes of strawberry & raspberry, plum & blueberry, along with resin & cedar & a hint of chocolate, the result of excellent maturation. It is a full-bodied wine, with well-balanced acidity, very good tannins, plenty of lively red fruit flavor & hints of cocoa. The finish is elegant & harmonious. A great food wine, it's an ideal partner for all kinds of poultry, meat & cheeses.

Of all the birds in the Douro, the golden oriole (*papa figos* in Portuguese) is one of the rarest. It's an attractive, brightly-colored migratory bird, unique & rare, and thus the perfect inspiration for this lovely wine from Casa Ferreirinha. Papa Figos is a Douro red that is ideal for everyday drinking as well as for special occasions. It's an elegant but vibrant wine, classic yet modern, imbued with all the values of Casa Ferreirinha who is the oldest producer of quality table wines in the Douro, & one of the main standard-bearers for the region throughout the world. The grapes selected for this wine come from the Douro Superior region, about 25% from Quinta da Leda and the rest from producers owning vineyards ideally facing north at high altitude.

Ferreira was founded in 1751. For more than 250 years, Ferreira has been synonymous with high-quality Portuguese ports and known around the world as "the Portuguese brand." Ferreirinha was the nickname of Dona Antónia Adelaide Ferreira, the popular head of the Ferreira port house in the early 19th century. Casa Ferreirinha was begun with the purpose of producing high-quality table wines from the Douro Region. Casa Ferreirinha is the oldest producer of quality table wines in the Douro, & one of the main standard-bearers for the region throughout the world. Decidedly "old world" in style, the wines show the terroir of the Douro, ripe fruit with good structure and long aging potential. These are from the same vineyards and grape varieties that Port comes from so naturally these are big, flavorful wines. Considered the greatest wine from Portugal, and the Douro has become known as the finest red wine producing region in the country. Because of what Ferreira started, other producers have followed and table wine is now almost 50% of the wine produced in the Douro.

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Shelf Talker:

