

A blend of grapes that includes Touriga Franca, Touriga Nacional, Tinta Roriz and other varieties reflecting the richness and quality of the Douro region. Intense bouquet dominated by ripe black fruits, floral notes, spices and cedar. Well-balanced and structured palate, with the kind of acidity associated with the Douro. Black fruit and spicy flavors. Elegant, lingering finish. An excellent choice to accompany traditional Portuguese dishes, a great variety of meats, cheeses and sophisticated pasta dishes. Try it before a meal with strongly flavored cheeses.

The grapes for Vinha Grande were gently destemmed and lightly crushed, and then fermented at controlled temperature in stainless steel tanks, with a long maceration, and pumping over and robotic plunging. The wine was transported to Vila Nova de Gaia where it continued maturation for between 12 and 18 months in used French oak barrels. The final blend was determined based on selections made in the course of many tastings carried out during this period. The wine was only lightly filtered prior to bottling.

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 they are big, flavorful wines. The Douro is known as the greatest port region of the world and now produces the country's finest table wines as well. Because of what Ferreira started, other producers have followed suit, and table wine is now almost fifty percent of the total wine produced in the Douro.

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Tasting Note:

VINHA GRANDE

FERREIRA VINHA GRANDE DOURO TINTO

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Shelf Talker:

