

# BROADBENT VERDELHO MADEIRA 10 YEARS OLD



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Several mixtures of soils derived mainly of basalt, trachytes and trachydolerites, tufa, scoria and conglomerates. The geographical position and mountains landscape allows a very pleasing climate. With its mild humidity, the island weather is classified as subtropical with variations in temperature, humidity, and rainfall according to altitude. Verdelho grapes are grown in Seixal, Ponta Delgada, São Vicente and Arco de São Jorge. Harvested manually in several weekly selections starting in early September through 2nd week of October. Grapes are completely destemmed, crushed and pressed. The must obtained then ferments at a controlled temperature in stainless steel tanks. Fermentation is stopped after 6 to 7 days by addition of neutral grape spirit (96°) in order to maintain the desired sweetness degree. Aged in French and American oak cask in the traditional “Canteiro” system. Wine is racked, fined and filtered before bottling.

Broadbent Madeiras are made in the classic British style, and all spend time in 650 Liter casks with as much as 150 years of age. Made from both red and white grapes, Madeiras are light to dark brown in color due to cask oxidation. Begun in 1996, Broadbent Madeira was inspired by Bartholomew Broadbent's father, Michael Broadbent, who called Madeira his “desert island wine,” and who played a crucial role along with his wife, Daphne, in sourcing the wines and establishing the blends. Blending helps to balance the wine, to add layers of flavors and to better integrate the sugars and acids. It allows the winemaker to select the best characteristics of different wines to create a much better flavor profile, while maintaining consistent quality.

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## *Tasting Note:*

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100% Verdelho. Fruity, flowery aromas; flavors of dried fruit, salty preserved lemon & tangerine with earthiness & minerality; delicate & refreshing; a hint of sweetness offsets the acidity; tangy, salty & creamy finish with exotic fruit.

## *Shelf Talker:*

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