

QUINTA DA MARIPOSA BRANCO, DÃO, DOC, PORTUGAL, 2019



Producer Profile

Quinta da Mariposa is a 'distinctly Dão' producer, making wines that are characteristic of the region from only native varieties; including Encruzado, Jaen and Tinta Roriz.

After working with some of the best wineries of the Dão region, oenologist Lúcia Freitas returned to her family estate in Terras de Senhorim to establish Quinta da Mariposa - a project that harmonizes her respect for tradition and her dream of making wines of extraordinary character from the region she knows so well. Together with her husband Filipe, plans are currently underway to convert the town's local nightclub into a winery, serendipitously this is where the couple danced together when they were young.

Viticulture

Quinta da Mariposa practice sustainable agriculture so they can craft wine whilst also preserving the wine culture for future generations. They only use native varieties found in the Dão region, ensuring their crop is perfectly suited to the soil and the climate. Their estate is modest and everything is done by hand.

Winemaking

Produced with respect for the natural characteristics of the grapes, intervening as little as possible to obtain quality over quantity and wines that are true to their origins and terroir. The grapes were harvested manually into 20kg boxes, cooled before the crushing and immediately pressed. The resulting juice decanted in stainless steel vats, and then fermented in other stainless steel vat under temperature control with indigenous yeasts.

Technical Details

Varieties:

Malvasia Fina 40%
Cerceal Branco 30%
Encruzado 30%

ABV: 13%

Closure: Natural cork

Colour: White

Style: Still wine

Case Size: 6 x 75cl

Oak Treatment

No oak treatment

Tasting Note

This lemon coloured wine has a nose of flora and citrus fruits. Lovely acidity on the palate combined with the characteristic minerality found in the Dão region, with a long and elegant finish.

Food Matching

Sushi, seafood pasta and chicken salad.