



# Quintas do Homem, Vale do Homem, Wild Ferment Loureiro, IGP Vinho Regional Minho, Portugal, 2022

## Producer Profile

Quintas do Homem is one of those estates that immediately captivates you with its charm, its passion and dynamism.

Nuno and his father, Antonio, work the vines of their two vineyards, Quinta do Veiga and Quinta do Paço, where they grow predominately Loureiro and Arinto. Ana, their long term winemaker, is a fierce taskmaster, demanding quality fruit that enables her to deliver the pure, fine and elegant Vinho Verdes that Nuno expects. It's very much a family exercise with Nuno and his father working the vineyards, Nuno's mother preparing delicious, traditional Portuguese dishes for visitors and Ana, an adopted family member, making sure the wines are always perfect.

## Viticulture

Quintas do Homem has some truly spectacular Loureiro, and here it is celebrated in its most expressive form, using the indigenous yeasts from their vineyards. The estates follow the philosophy of Integrated Production, producing high-quality wines based on sustainable practices, preserving natural resources, minimal intervention or use of chemicals (except when necessary) and working in a socially responsible way. Plantings are close to the River Homem, from where the estate gains its name.

## Winemaking

Fermentation is carried out in temperature-controlled stainless steel vessels, followed by a month of bâtonnage on the lees to enhance the textural quality of the wine. For Ana, their winemaker, Loureiro is all about flowers, such as jasmine and gardenia, and when the grapes arrive you can smell them from the other side of the winery!

## Tasting Note

The ultimate expression of Loureiro is enhanced by the wild yeast ferment! Vibrant floral aromas, ripe melon and citrus, whilst the palate is bright, with ripe lemon zest acidity, beautifully textured and long on the finish.

## Food Matching

Serve with lightly fried seafood, grilled fish, sashimi, crab, or lobster ... but equally good with fish-shop fish!

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### Technical Details

#### Varieties:

Loureiro 100%



**ABV:** 12%

**Closure:** Natural cork

**Colour:** White

**Style:** Still wine

**Case Size:** 6 x 75cl

#### Oak Ageing

No oak ageing

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