



Quinta do Vallado Douro Red

"Press Highlights"

2021

•92 – WINE ENTHUSIAST, *September 4, 2023*

"This ripe and juicy wine is a fine spicy blend. It has acidity and firm tannins that promise aging. The vivid black fruits need some calming. Drink this fine wine from 2025."

2019

•92 – WINE & SPIRITS, *February 23, 2023*

"A small contribution from the Quinta's old vines (20 percent) adds to the racy structure of this wine, while most of the fruit comes from mature vines planted in the 1990s. While fermented and mostly aged in stainless steel, a third of this blend spends eight months in used French oak barrels, which helps to broaden and enrich the tannins toward hints of chocolate, even as the overall impression remains clean, bright and generous. This is a Douro red without effort, a wine with stamina to age, though integrated and ready to enjoy."

•90 – WINE ENTHUSIAST, *December 2021*

"A blend of grapes from several estates, the wine is full of ripe berry fruits and tannins whose structure is now softening. This is a generous wine that is ready to drink."

2018

•90 – WINE ENTHUSIAST, *December 2020*

"Partially wood aged, this rich, dense wine is smooth, maturing well but retaining plenty of its ripe black-fruit flavors. It is a dense wine that lingers on a blackberry flavor and lifted acidity. Drink now."

2017

•91 – WINE SPECTATOR, *Feb. 29, 2020*

"Ample mineral and spice notes underpin the black currant, red plum and boysenberry flavors of this supple red. Shows good energy, with violet and black tea details on the long finish. Moderate tannins."

•90 – WINE ENTHUSIAST, *April 4, 2020*

"Some wood aging has given this wine its smooth, generous character. Firm tannins and blackberry fruits go together along with a rich texture and plenty of acidity to balance."

•90 – WINE ADVOCATE, *August 30, 2019*

"The 2017 Tinto is a blend of 30% Touriga Nacional, 20% each of Touriga Franca and Tinta Roriz, plus mostly a field blend from old vines for the rest. It was all aged for 13 months in third and fourth use French barriques. It comes in at 14% alcohol. This is a fine bargain point in Vallado's increasingly pricey lineup. In its youth, this is gloriously flavorful, just bursting with fruit. Yet that's not all there is. It has marvelous purity and just enough structure..."
