



VALLADO  
PORTO  
VINTAGE

# Quinta do Vallado Vintage Port

## “Press Highlights”

2021

- 93, Cellar Selection – WINE ENTHUSIAST, *January 16, 2024*

2020

- 95 – WINE SPECTATOR, *February 28, 2023*

"This expressive version leads with violet and graphite notes, showing a solid core of blackberry and black currant preserves waiting to unwind. Reveals a subtle tug of warm earth through the finish. Not show, but very solidly built for sure. Best from 2035 through 2055."

- 94 – JAMES SUCKLING, *February 6, 2023*

"This shows notes of ripe blackberries and blueberries with orange peel and sweet spices. Firm and chewy with a full body and medium sweetness. It shows youth and crunchiness now, yet quite tight with a chalky finish. Try after 2026."

- 91+ – WINE ADVOCATE, *August 4, 2022*

"... This unusually dry Vintage Port is stern and has some power, but it lacks that big, pure and bold fruit this normally shows. It is still well done, but I'd give this one a bit longer than normal in the cellar, even if it is not impossibly astringent. It has a real backbone, and the fruit needs to develop. It will show better in the early 2030s."

2019

- 96 – WINE SPECTATOR, *December 2021*

"This is a gutsy-style Vintage Port, with loads of fig, black currant and blackberry fruit flavors melding together with waves of ganache, roasted applewood, licorice snap and bramble notes. Everything seems to kick into another gear through the finish too, all while keeping a sense of detail. Impressive. Best from 2040-2060."

- 94 – WINE ADVOCATE, *March 31, 2022*

"... The rich fruit rolls over the palate and coats it. Considering the lack of wood, this has remarkable texture. What it needs now is some time to evolve and become more expressive. I'd come back around the end of the decade, although that might not be enough. It took about four days to become interesting..."

- 93, #54 TOP 100 WINES FOR 2022 – WINE ENTHUSIAST, *June/July 2022 Issue*

"...It has dense tannins and massive black-fruit flavors. There is the hint of a floral element, blackberry jelly and dark spice. At the end, there is a touch of sweetness. That and the tannins will lead the wine forward..."

2018

- 97 – WINE SPECTATOR, *February 28, 2021*

"Really vibrant, with bramble-laced blueberry, blackberry, and raspberry compote flavors driving along, while mouthwatering anise, violet and fruitcake accents add detail and sparkle throughout. Finish sports a gorgeous late kick of fruit and spice. Best from 2030-2050."

- 95 – WINE ENTHUSIAST, *December 31, 2020*

"This estate, founded by the legendary Dona Antónia Ferreira, has produced a massive Port. Dark with tannins and full of opulent black-stone fruits and prunes, it obviously has a fine future ahead. Drink this great Port from 2030."

- 93 – WINE ADVOCATE, *January 29, 2021*

- 92 – WINE & SPIRITS, *December 2020*