



QUINTA DA
BOAVISTA

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2016

Iconic of Quinta da Boavista, the Vinha do Oratório is formed by high and curved terraces in the shape of an oratory that reach 9 meters in height. The vineyard, facing south east has an altitude that varies between 80 and 175 meters and has a mixture of more than 25 Douro varieties. With an average age of over 80 years, these vineyards allow us to produce a wine of remarkable concentration and complexity.

TERROIR

Located near Pinhão on the right bank of the Douro and with magnificent views over the river, Quinta da Boavista is one of the most iconic properties in the demarcated region, known not only for its historical connection to Baron de Forrester, but also for its 40 hectares of high-quality vineyards. This is a wine whose grapes come from a single parcel, which received the name of Oratório (Oratory) due to its impressive wavy terraces almost 9 meters high.

VINIFICATION

Manual harvesting. Manual grape sorting. Gentle berry de-stalk and crush. As fermentation reservoirs we have the traditional granite wine presses with foot treading, and later the wine is aged in French oak barrels of different cooperages for at least 18 months.

We carry out light fining and subsequent bottling. All our wines are sealed under natural cork. Wines are not filtered or cold-stabilized and that is why they can produce sediment with age.

TASTING NOTES

Deep ruby red. Deep, warm nose with ripe red fruit, sweet, floral (violet), sweet spices, complex, vegetable notes that give freshness. Good start in the mouth, fresh, long, fleshy, with cedar and dark chocolate notes that turns it into a wine to impress.

WINEMAKERS

Rui Cunha
Jean-Claude Berrouet

ABV	ACIDITY	pH
14%vol.	5,5 g/l	3,39
TOTAL SUGARS	TOTAL SULFUR DIOXIDE	
0,6 g/l	82 mg/l	

TOTAL PRODUCTION
1200 bottles

BOTTLES/BOX
6

AVAILABLE IN
0,75l - 1,5l - 3l



Best served at
16-18°C

Store in a cool, dry place, sheltered from light and temperature fluctuations. The bottle should be kept in an horizontal position.



PERFECT WITH
Red meat, game and cheese.



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/100 Pts

The 2015 Vinha do Oratório Vinhas Velhas (Quinta da Boavista) is a field blend from very old vines (90 years or so) aged in two-thirds new French oak for 20 months. It comes in at 13,6% alcohol. At least from this tasting, this is no better than the 2014, perhaps a step behind. It does add that flavor component that the 2014 lacked, but it doesn't seem quite as powerful or as concentrated. On the happy side, the fruit is more vivid and it is notably less rustic. It seems a little understated—or perhaps a bit closed. It is still pretty beautiful, silky, bright, fresh and chock-full of flavor. It may well improve with a bit more time in bottle—it did tighten notably from my first to my third taste—but at this point, it does not seem like much of a step up on the regular Reserva, or on the 2014. There is a good chance this can wake up and flesh out. Stick it in the cellar for a few years. There is some upside potential and it may surprise us. This will be released in October.

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