

Grande Vadio Tinto



Vadio Wines is a family-owned winery located in the Bairrada region of Portugal, founded in 2005 by husband-and-wife team Luís Patrão and Eduarda Dias. Luís, an acclaimed winemaker, dedicates himself to preserving the traditional elements of Bairrada's indigenous grape varieties, producing wines that authentically reflect their terroir. Eduarda manages the daily operations, ensuring the smooth running of the winery. Luís's father, Mr. Dinis Patrão, leads the viticultural efforts with a deep passion for organic farming.

Situated in the village of Poutena, 120 miles north of Lisbon, Vadio encompasses 13 vineyards spread across 10 hectares. The winery practices organic farming to maintain the health of their land and vines, contributing to the sustainability of the region's biodiversity. Vadio is renowned for producing classic DOC Bairrada wines, particularly red wines made from the Baga grape, and some of Portugal's finest sparkling wines.

WHAT MAKES THIS WINE UNIQUE?: Grande Vadio embodies the maximum expression of Baga in Bairrada, characterized by elegance, freshness, and exceptional aging potential. Sourced from hillside vineyards, its optimal exposure enhances maturation, allowing the berry's true character to shine.

RATING HISTORY: 2017 93WA; 2016 93WA; 2015 93+WA

GRAPE: 100% Baga

VINIFICATION AND AGING: Each plot undergoes vinification in small tanks with manual pumping over. Following pressing, the new wines are promptly transferred to used 500L barrels for malolactic fermentation and aging, which lasts a minimum of 12 months. Bottling occurs earlier to preserve enhanced fruit definition and tannin texture. About 3,000 bottles produced per vintage.

LOCATION, SOIL, CLIMATE: The vineyards are located in the region of Bairrada (the village of Poutena), specifically in Vale de Dom Pedro. This vineyard is situated on a hillside opposite the Rexarte vineyard which are separated by a small stream. The soil here is clay-limestone and it planted with Baga grapes. Planted in 2009, this 0.5-hectare plot with east exposure emphasizes the natural freshness of the berry.

TASTING NOTES With a revealing aroma, this wine showcases exceptional fruit definition, highlighting wild fruits and distinctive balsamic notes typical of Baga. On the palate, it offers harmonious elegance, characterized by delicate tannins and well-balanced acidity.

ALCOHOL CONTENT: 13%

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