



PRINCIPIUM MERLOT/TOURIGA NACIONAL 2012

Wine Ventures - Quinta da Romeira, SA, Lisbon, Portugal

LCBO # 479329 | 13.5% alc./vol. | \$13.95 | Release: 21-Jan-2017

Tasting notes:

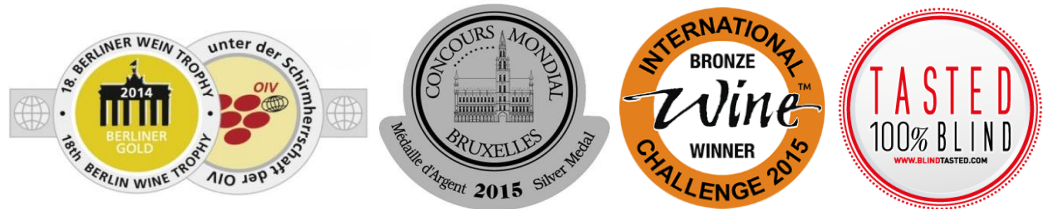
This elegant red wine presents purple red colour, refined aromas, wrapped in light notes of wood and toast. The wine in taste is balanced and elegant showing slight persistence of fine tannins giving it freshness, and depth.

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(Sara d'Amato, www.winealign.com, 2017)

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Terroir:

Quinta da Romeira exists since 1703 and has received important guests like the Duke of Wellington and also Marquês de Pombal and his family, famous for his support of wine exports. 130 ha are in the heart of one of the oldest export wine regions, Lisbon. 50 ha are dedicated to forests, apart from the 18th c Manor house and its gardens.

Vinification:

Grapes destemmed and slightly crushed; fermented in stainless steel tanks, then aged in French oak barrels for 4 months.

Variety: Touriga Nacional 60%, Merlot 40 %.

Sugar: 9 g/L

Serving suggestion and food pairing: Serve at 16°C. Shines with dishes combining meats and fruit: lamb with apricots, duck with prunes, chicken breast served with a sauce of raisins, orange zest, and pine nuts. Enjoy it also with Mozzarella or Brie.

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David Lawrason '17	This is a blend of merlot and touriga nacional (the principle red grape of Portugal). It pours fairly deep, maturing garnet colour and the nose shows some earthy/farmy character as well. Along with cherry jam, fresh herbs. It's medium-full bodied, quite elegant and intensely flavoured, with firm tannin. The length and presence are impressive. A hard one to score because the flavour profile is a bit off-kilter but the wine is still engaging. Tasted January 2017. www.winealign.com