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## 2021 Year in Review

2021 is almost ending and the quality of the Portuguese wines has once again been recognized world-wide.

Let's take a quick look back and see what has been said about some of our wines:



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### Quinta do Bronze Vinha do Plagão

Red D.O.C. Douro 2016

"This single-vineyard wine comes from the Pinhão Valley, home to some of the top Douro vineyards. With its powered tannins and massive fruits, it is superbly rich and concentrated. This is a wine that still needs aging, with black fruits still bursting with energy and tannins. Drink from 2023."

*Roger Voss, in Wine Enthusiast, August 2021*

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"The 2016 Tinto Quinta do Bronze Vinha do Plagão is Touriga Nacional dominated (60%), with roughly equal portions of Sousão, Tinto Cão and Touriga Franca for the rest, all aged for 18 months in new French oak..."

Beautifully constructed, this is very ripe and a little earthy on opening. Then, it becomes creamier, fruitier and richer..."

*Mark Squires, in www.robertparker.com, End of March 2021*



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### Insurgente Premium

Red D.O.C. Dão 2018

"From grapes in a vineyard at an elevation of 1,200 feet, this wine is a powerful, mineral-driven blend of Touriga Nacional and Alfrocheiro. With its dense tannins and youthful black plum and licorice flavors, this richly impressive wine needs further aging. Drink from 2023."

*Roger Voss, in Wine Enthusiast, August 2021*

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"The 2018 Insurgente Premium is an 80/20 blend of Touriga Nacional and Alfrocheiro aged for 12 months in a 60/40 mixture of stainless steel and third use French oak..."

Beautifully constructed, this is fresh and focused with an elegant demeanor and mid-palate finesse. Restrained in power, this is surprisingly approachable now too..."

*Mark Squires, in www.robertparker.com, End of March 2021*



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### Tyto alba

Red D.O.C. Do Tejo 2017

"The wine comes from a nature reserve in the north of the Tejo region. It is an impressive blend of rich black fruits: Touriga Nacional, Touriga Franca and Alicante Bouschet. That's a powerful combination, with tannins and perfumed fruits acting in harmony. Drink this fine wine from 2023."

*Roger Voss, in Wine Enthusiast, August 2021*

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"The 2017 Tinto Tyto Alba is a blend of 40% Touriga Nacional, 40% Touriga Franca and 20% Alicante Bouschet, all aged for 12 months in a mixture of new and used French oak.... One of the more beautiful examples yet in this brand, this polished Tinto is fresh and expressive, an elegant wine that has a bright feel yet also very good fruit."

*Mark Squires, in www.robertparker.com, October 2021*



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### Andreza Altitude

Red D.O.C. Douro 2017

"Aged for 12 months in wood, this rich wine is now approaching maturity. Its black fruits, dark chocolate and spice flavors have come together in a dense texture, with structured tannins that have opened up. The wine finishes with judicious freshness. Drink from 2022."

*Roger Voss, in Wine Enthusiast, August 2021*

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"The 2017 Tinto Andreza Altitude is a 60/40 blend of Touriga Nacional and Touriga Franca aged for 12 months in 30% new French oak... Fresh and elegant in the mid-palate, this has a modest burst of flavor to go with a bright feel. The tannins are very ripe, making it easy to drink this right now... This is a perfect food wine, easy to like and hard to resist..."

*Mark Squires, in www.robertparker.com, End of March 2021*



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### Pegos Claros Reserva

Red D.O.C. Palmela 2017

"The 2017 Reserva Vinhas Velhas is all Castelão, aged for one year in well-used French oak of varying ages.. The "old vines" designation on the back label means 70+ years here. There's an effort at Pegos Claros on a regular basis to make fairly fresh and elegant Castelão... showing off some freshness and mid-palate finesse to go with some power on the finish..."

*Mark Squires, in www.robertparker.com, October 2021*

## MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

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"May this Christmas be for us all,  
a moment of joy and affection...  
Full of reborn hope..."

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