

## Esculpido 2019

The name Esculpido (sculped) relates to the impressing forms and shapes of some of our oldest vines, authentic living sculptures, redefined and polished by the passage of time.

Esculpido is made from grapes of these vineyards of the variety Avesso, which are located in our estate Quinta de Santa Teresa, most of them situated between 200 and 350 meters high.

This wine results from the will to express the high quality of the grapes originated in these vineyards, who are taken care of using organic and traditional methods.

## Tasting notes

On the nose this wine reveals great balance between complexity, freshness and well inbutter, citric fruits and wet stone. On the palate it shows itself rich and elegant, with excellent concentration and multi-layered. Mineral notes, hazelnut, tree fruits and citwith a firm acidity. It will age well in bottle.

## Winemaking process

Grapes arrive to the winery in 24kg boxes. They are hand-selected and destemmed before going thru skin contact process and a gentle pneumatic press.

The must ferments in French barrel for around 12 months, Stabilization and tender filtration take place. No animal derivate is used in the process, making it a veganfriendly wine.

A special care was taken into this process, minimizing any impact, with the intention of producing a wine that expresses well the particularities of the grapes and terroir.

Bottled in March 2021

# Climatic characteristics of the 2019 vintage

The winter of 2018 was quite dry. Spring was more balanced, with some rain during April, which compelled us to apply treatments in the vineyards for mildew and oidium. Also, the vineyards in Casa do Arrabalde suffered some frostings during this month. Summer was mild, only the lower vineyards in Quinta tegrated oak, highlighting saline notes, fresh de Santa Teresa registering some burns on the 23rd of August. In the 8th and 9th of the same month it rained, which allowed to reduce the hydric stress and push the maturation process. The balanced, fresher profile of rines show up. Long, persistent finish along the 2019 vintage gave birth to slightly more acidic wines, with lower alcohol graduation.

# **FEATURES**

Producer A&D WINES Region Minho

Grape varieties Avesso

Soil type Granitic

Altitude 250 m Vineyards In line

Vines per Ha 3000

Pruning system Royat Harvest period September 2019

Harvest method Manual

Malolactic No

Fermentation Wood barrel Bottled March 2021

Ageing 1 year





















ANALYTICAL DATA

Alcohol 13,4% vol.

PH 3.22

Dry extract 22,9 g/dm<sup>3</sup>

Total acidity 6,7 g/dm3

Volatile acidity 0,44 g/dm3

Free SO, at bottling 14 mg/dm3

Total SO<sub>2</sub> at bottling 104 mg/dm<sup>3</sup>









ORGANIC PRODUCTION

