

Kit #159A • W6

Pó de Poeira Douro Portugal 2021

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Final Deductions

VINTAGE 2021

GRAPE Touriga Nacional/Blend

GEOGRAPHY Europe

COUNTRY Portugal

LARGER REGION Duriense

SMALLER REGION Douro

Rationale

The Douro region of northern Portugal is the home of Port taking its name from the Douro river, which flows east to west from the Spanish border to Oporto, where it meets the Atlantic Ocean. Here, the vine terraces bask in the sun that provides ideal conditions, heating the pure schist and granite soil that typifies the region. For centuries, Douro growers have been supplying an eager world with Port. Now wine experts the world over recognize that the Douro region also offers ideal conditions for making unfortified wines of the highest quality, both red and white.

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Sight

BRIGHTNESS Day Bright

CLARITY Clear

COLOR DEPTH Deep

COLOR Ruby

RIM VARIATION Purple Stained Tears: Medium

Structure

RESIDUAL SUGAR Dry

ACID Med+

ALCOHOL Medium

TANNIN Med+

TEXTURE Round / Smooth

FINISH Long

COMPLEXITY High

Aroma & Taste

RED FRUIT Red Plum • Red Raspberry • Cherry / Red Tomato • Red Currant

Condition: Ripe, Jammy / Candied, Fresh

BLUE FRUIT Blueberry Condition: Ripe, Fresh, Jammy / Candied

BLACK FRUIT Blackberry • Black Currant / Cassis • Black Plum *Condition: Jammy / Candied, Fresh, Ripe*

FLORAL Lavender • Rose • Violet Condition: Fresh

GREEN VEGETABLE Dark Leafy Greens

OTHER VEGETABLE Mushrooms (Brown) • Fennel / Anise • Olive (Black) • Beet / Beet Root

HERBAL Tobacco Leaf • Laurel / Bay Leaf • Mint / Eucalyptus • Oregano

OTHER SPICES Licorice (Black) • Chinese Five Spice • Licorice (Red)

ORGANIC EARTH Turned Dirt / Potting Soil • Truffle / Mushrooms

INORGANIC EARTH Mineral / Rock

OAK AGING Yes Oak Intensity: Medium

OAK INFLUENCE Nutmeg • Cedar / Cigar Box • Cacao / Chocolate

OXIDATION/NUTTINESS Walnut • Chestnut • Hazelnut