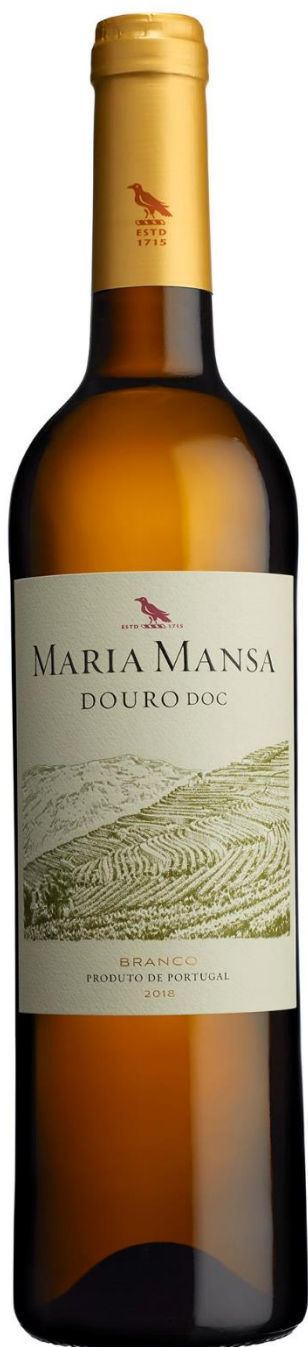




QUINTA DO NOVAL

FINE PORTS SINCE 1715



MARIA MANSA 2018

Maria Mansa is produced by Quinta do Noval from carefully selected grapes originated from the highest areas of the Demarcated Region of the Douro, which are more favourable to the production of white wines.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE 2018 VINTAGE

After a dry winter, 2018 was marked by very cold temperatures and high rainfall until mid-summer, and a hot, dry end of summer. Budbreak started late in good conditions.

Following a long, summery period, high temperatures and water stress were optimum for the anthocyanic richness of the skins and ideal ripening of the grapes. Grape soundness was excellent at harvest time.

The harvest for white wines took place from 5 to 20 September in good weather conditions, with high temperatures and no rain. It produced high quality wines with good levels of sugar, acidity and phenolic compounds.

All the wines produced that year are essentially very good, even excellent. The whites are fresh and fragrant.

TASTING NOTE

“Maria Mansa white 2018 presents a crystal-like appearance and a lovely light golden colour. The intense aroma is fruity, pure, fresh and mineral. On the palate, the attack shows a broad wine that reveals balance, freshness and a long aftertaste. It is excellent to accompany grilled fish, white meats or simply on its own.”

Carlos Agrellos, Technical Director



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GRAPE VARIETIES

Maria Mansa is a blended wine of noble classic Douro varieties: 50% Viosinho, 40% Gouveio, 10% Rabigato.

VINIFICATION

90% of the wine is fermented in stainless steel vats and 10% is fermented in seasoned French oak barrels for a period of 21 days. No malolactic fermentation.

MATURING

90% of the wine is aged in stainless steel vats, to keep its aromatic purity and 10% is aged in seasoned French oak barrels, with a bâtonnage done once a week for 3 months.

WINE ANALYSES

Alcohol: 12.5%
Residual sugar: 0.6g/dm³
Total acidity: 6g/dm³
Ph: 3.12

SERVING TEMPERATURE

9°C-11°C