



## QUINTA DE LA ROSA

### PRODUCTION

Grapes from old vines local to the region – 36% Códega do Larinho, 23% Viosinho, 14% Gouveio with mixed varieties for the remainder including Arinto, and Rabigato. The wine was fermented in small stainless-steel vats, with some barrel aging. Bottled in February 2020.

### TERROIR

Still largely unexplored, the terroir in the Douro offers incredible opportunity. None more so than La Rosa's, whose vines rise dramatically out of the river with the imposing Vale do Inferno vineyard, and climb steadily upwards to top out at 500m with Lamelas, whose magnificent views overlook the very heart of the region. The estate's grapes are category A – the very best the Douro has to offer.

Schist and granite soils along with the extremely varied topography enable the white wines to have remarkable acidity, minerality, and freshness. La Rosa's whites are characterised by their floral, citric notes and balanced fruit.

### VINTAGE

Winter and spring were fairly dry with little rainfall. Fortunately, the Douro avoided the heatwaves experienced by most of Europe in July and had a near perfect summer with rain falling on 25th August to refresh the vineyards nicely. This was followed by unseasonably hot weather with temperatures in the high 30Cs which meant picking started soon after.

Like previous years, it was vital that we paid close attention to where we picked and were careful to choose only those vines that had ripened, leaving some for later.

As a result of a relatively cool summer the white grapes maintained their acidity meaning our wines have excellent maturation but with relatively low pHs - something of novelty. A combination of good concentration as well as optimal freshness will allow the wines to mature nicely.

### TASTING NOTES

Beautiful pale golden in colour this complex wine has succulent white fruit, herb, and tropical fruit aromas. An engaging wine with smooth flavours, it is balanced and elegant on the palate marrying ripe fruit with a light, fresh finish. It is an ideal wine for the summer months.



DOC DOURO WHITE  
WINE

2019



750ml

### Technical Information:

Aging	Alcohol	Production	Total Acidity	Residual Sugars	pH
Now - 3 years	13%	20,500 bottles	5.6 g/dm <sup>3</sup>	0.6 g/dm	3.29