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Product: Território Vivo Baga Vintage: 2020

Grape(s):	100% Baga						
Matured in oak, months:	9	Matured in bottle, prior to release:	6	Alcohol content % vol.:	12.5	Organic / Bio Certification:	Under conversion
						Biodynamic Certification:	Partly
Tot. acid content g/I (tartaric acid):	5.98	Tot. sugar content g/I:	0.6	Fining agent:	No	Contains sulphites:	Yes

Production, Vinification technics:

The grapes are handpicked from different vineyards in Bairrada. Partly destemmed, fermented in open oak lagares with some extraction (pigéage) and less maceration on the skins. After the fermentation, the wine is aged in 500-600 l used pipas and tonel (big cask).

Origin and classification:

Bairrada DOC from Portugal.

Soil/Climate, etc.:

Chalky clay midslopes from the Jurassic Inferior with eastern orientation to the sun and a very intense Atlantic influence (we are only 15 km from the ocean). For this wine, the grapes come from different small plots of very old vineyards (ca 80 years old). We just took over the vineyards and are converting them to our practices.

Winemaker's Notes:

This "Território Vivo" is a delicate Baga, it reflects the true term of "Living Terroir". The heritage of old vineyards of our emblematic Baga grape is a richness to be relished. Some of them are over 80 years old. The subsoils are chalky clay and the vineyards are South East oriented on fairly steep slopes. The vinification is done in an authentic open oak lagar for 3 to 4 weeks and then aged in traditional pipas for about 8 months. This results in a deep intense cherry color with splendid harmonious fruit on the nose, in the mouth it is elegant, pure and structured with a good grip and excellent acidity. It will be a perfect match for refined recipes (not too spicy): fillet of beef, fillet of veal, pigeon, duck and creamy cheeses. Serve it in elegant glasses at 16°-18°, when young better aerate in a wide open decanter. This wine will age very well and will be able to be appreciated between 7 to 20 years according to the vintage and cellaring conditions. This 2020 is -for many reasons- an unforgettable harvest. We had an attack of rabbits on all our old vines of Baga. The rabbits ate all grapes til 30 cm from the soil. This left us with high-quality grapes but a really tiny crop. Making wine close to nature without using pesticides or herbicides can be quite a challenge ? , certainly when our terroir is very much alive!!!

Colour:

Brilliant intense dark cherry red colour with a present viscosity.

Bouquet:

The nose is complex with aromas of stone fruit (cherry, black plums), cacao, cigar leaves and cedar wood.

Taste:

The taste is delicate and elegant, the texture is silky and velvety, and in the aftertaste there is a dark chocolate touch with a nice freshness thanks to the pureness of the Baga.

Gastronomic Accompaniments:

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Recommended further maturing (by the consumer, months):

3-15 years.

Press notes:

- 23/03/2023 Vinoteca Comer & Beber Marcelo Copello PÁSCOA: sugestões de vinhos para o bacalhau e para o cordeiro 2020 Filipa Pato Território Vivo Tinto 91/100
- 26/03/2021 Von Peter Keller Freier Autor und finews.ch-Weinredaktor 2017 Filipa Pato • Território Vivo Tinto • "Sehr elegant, finessenreich, schon fast burgundisch, grossartige Länge, Paradebeispiel für die rote Sorte Baga."
- 03/09/2017 Jamie Goode Wine Anorak Filipa Pato & William Wouters: Groundbreaking wines from Bairrada, Portugal 2012 Filipa Pato & William Wouters Território Vivo Baga 92/100