

Filipa Pato William Wouters

Vintage: 2023

Product: White Wine Nossa Calcário Bical BIO

Grape(s):	100% Bical						
Matured in oak, months:	8	Matured in bottle, prior to release:	2 months	Alcohol content % vol.:	12	Organic / Bio Certification: Biodynamic	Certified Bio by Kiwa Sativa - Unipessoal, Lda. Biodynamic by
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Tot. acid content g/l (tartaric acid):	5.96	Tot. sugar content g/l:	1.7	Fining agent:	No	Contains sulphites:	Yes

Production, Vinification technics:

Manual harvest, sorting on the vine then in the vat and finally pressing (pneumatic press) to obtain a slow extraction.

Barreling after a slight settling. The grapes are put in oak barrels of 500-600 l and one vat of 2000 litres in which the alcoholic and malolactic fermentations in indigenous yeasts and native bacteria will take place. Breeding will be on fine lees for 10 months, without stirring. One month before bottling, the wine from different barrels is placed in a stainless steel tank for blending. Bottling is done according to the lunar calendar.

The combination of all this results in a nectar from this unique terroir, particularly complex and perfectly balanced.

Origin and classification:

Bairrada DOC from Portugal.

Organic and Biodynamic Certified Estate.

Soil/Climate, etc.:

The nearness of the Atlantic Ocean, the cool nights, a homogeneous clayey-limestone soil from the Jurassic Era, rather shallow creates exceptional conditions. This substratum is also marked by white marls. The pruning is done in Guyot (Poussard) with different works during the green season (disbudding, trellising, topping). The vineyards are spread over gentle slopes, naturally favoured by efficient drainage. The proximity of the Cértima river creates a perfect microclimate with foggy mornings.

Winemaker's Notes:

"Nossa!" Its name is spontaneously evocative 😘 . "Calcário" means "chalk" in Portuguese, which refers to the calcareous soil found in these vinevards.

Located at the very heart of Bairrada, Óis do Bairro is one of Bairrada's flagship villages and among its most celebrated. The Bical from Óis do Bairro has been known for centuries for its exceptional quality. It was one of the first white wines of Portugal to be exported to the ex-colonies.

Working with biodynamic practices and being inspired by the viticulture of Filipa's grandmother helped to understand the notion of "un terroir unique" for Bical.

Serve it cool but not too cold (8-10 °C) in fine glassware.

Total production: 10266 bottles.

Colour:

Brillant intense yellow straw colour with greenish rim, good viscosity.

Bouquet:

Very mineral nose with a certain smokiness due to the limestone soil. It has a distinguished fruity touch of pears (typical Bical) and a slightly nutty character (hazelnut, almonds, pines). After some time in the glass, it even reveals thyme and honey.

Taste:

The mouth is refined, creamy, relatively smooth and has present minerality, a kind of saltiness due to the typical Atlantic climate. The wine is very broad in the mouth with an almost crunchy, nutty texture. The finish is voluptuous with very precise notes of preserved and ripe fruit.

Gastronomic Accompaniments:

This wine is the perfect partner for elegant dining, fine fish, braised veal, free range chicken and ripe cheese with a hard structure.

Recommended further maturing (by the consumer):

This wine will age beautifully for around 10 years.

Press notes:

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2020 Filipa Pato & William Wouters ● Bical Bairrada Branco Nossa Calcário ● 94/100

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