



2017 Filipa Pato Post-Quercus

Rating	Release Price	Drink Date	Producer: Filipa Pato
90	\$30	2019 - 2027	From: Portugal , Beiras , Bairrada
Reviewed by	Issue Date	Source	Color: Red
Mark Squires	30th Dec 2019	Issue 246 End of December 2019, The Wine Advocate	Type: Table

The 2017 Post-Quercus is Pato's Baga that is fermented and aged in uncoated amphorae, coming in at 11.7% alcohol. It's meant to be a lighter and easier style. The winery says that micro-oxygenation through clay amphorae helps soften the tannins of Baga. In any event, this looks like one of the best yet in the brand. Silky and refined, it is beautifully textured. Then, for this lighter-styled brand, it is also chock-full of fruit. The acidity for which the grape is known is on display too, as it cuts through the fruitiness and lifts the Baga. It finishes with a touch of earth and complexity. I'm always curious to see how these will age—it's not really the point here—but there is no reason this can't hold well for several years. The aging issue may give it a ceiling, but this is a super Post-Quercus at the moment, quite possibly the best yet in the brand. There were 1,800 liter bottles and 4,800 half-liter bottles made.

Sweetness: Dry

Type: Table

Variety: Baga