



2016 Filipa Pato Nossa Missão

Rating	Release Price	Drink Date	Producer: Filipa Pato
95	\$150	2021 - 2045	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 2016 Nossa Missão is a Baga from a 130-year-old pre-phylloxera vineyard with limestone soils. It was aged for 18 months in a used Austrian barrel. (There was only enough for one pipa, i.e., a 500-liter barrel.) It comes in at just 12.7% alcohol. This is a more elegant and approachable Missão than the 2015, I think, showing more of what it has early on. It is still a powerhouse, however, that shows better the next day. It adds some depth to the 2017 Nossa Calcário this issue and much a bigger finish. From a very different vintage, though, it seems a little more understated in flavors. It is perhaps a bit more classic in style. This was better every time I came back to it, and it sang the next day. If the fruitiness is not quite as evident as on the younger 2017 Nossa, it substitutes some Baga earthiness around the edges that I found appealing. That made it multi-dimensional. It is quite brilliant, with a long life ahead and a lot of upside potential. You'll be able to approach this a little before you could approach the 2015, I think. Neither will show you complexity or finesse until they get to be around seven to nine years old, though. As always, some answers only come for certain with some time in the cellar. There were 490 bottles and 76 magnums produced.

Sweetness: Dry

Type: Table

Variety: Baga