

# MONTE MEÃO

VINHA DOS NOVOS 2019

#### HARVEST REPORT

The 2019 winegrowing year was characterized by a very dry and cold climate. The beginning of November 2018 brought above average rainfall, but over the following months these values decreased, resulting in a dry but also colder than average winter. Spring started with high temperatures but in its late stages, it declined considerably, remaining low throughout the summer. This allowed good flowering conditions, thus bringing a very interesting yield potential. Due to the low temperatures during summer, the occurrence of cluster scald was practically non-existent. From the physiological point of view, the mild days and cool nights of August led to slow and balanced maturation, which minimized the usual water stress of the plants. A slower maturation led to a long harvest, with very selective picking of the different plots and grape varieties. The red grapes picking started on August 27 with the always precocious Tinta Barroca. The last grapes of the Quinta were harvested on October 10. Due to a much fresher year than usual, the 2019 wines will turn out to be fresh, elegant and with very balanced acidity.

# **GRAPE VARIETIES**

100 % Touriga Nacional

### VINIFICATION

In 2019 the grapes were trodden by foot for four hours in granite lagares. After this process, they were transferred to wooden vats, where they fermented for about 10 days. The aging took place for 15 months in used 225 liter French oak barrels.

## TASTING NOTES

Great lively colour. A very unique nose showing floral and citruses notes. In the mouth it keeps the floral profile and shows surprising softness. It has an extraordinary elegance, excellent acidity, with firm but elegant tannins.

