

# 2018 PRINCESA DOURO DOC

The Princesa is the perfect introduction to the wines of the Quinta da Corte. The minerality of the terroir brings great balance to the warmth of the fruit.

# **VINTAGE NOTES**

The winter started out extremely dry, but from March onwards the water levels were more than restored thanks to heavy rain, particularly in March and April. The following months, June and July, were fairly variable, with periods of intense rainfall and spells of dry weather and high temperatures. August and September were extremely hot. Harvesting at the Quinta da Côrte began on 17 September 2018.

### VINEYARD NOTES

VARIETAL

COMPOSITION: 25% Touriga Franca, 25% Tinta Roriz, 25% Tinta Barroca,

25% a mix of native old-vine varietals

Age of Vines: 60 years old on average

Soil: Terraced vineyards with Schist soil

## **WINE NOTES**

Vinification: In temperature-controlled stainless steel vats. Lengthy maceration.

Aging: 5 months in 500 liter French barrels

Alcohol: 14.9%

**Total Acidity:** 5.6 g/L

Aging Potential: 10+ years

# **TASTING NOTES**

A nose of red berries (blackberry, blackcurrant) and spice aromas. On the palate, the tannins are firm yet smooth. A long and elegant finish.

