

Gota Wines

Natalia Jessa arrived in Portugal from Poland by way of Ireland where her experience as a buyer and student of wine gave her a macro point of view on the world of buying and selling wine. A subscriber to the “drink it, don’t overthink it” mantra, Natalia saw the undiscovered potential in many Portuguese wine regions, and knew she could make wines that over delivered in every sense. The mission of Gota Wines is to showcase the top regions of Portugal at accessible prices. Natalia works closely with small growers to make authentic expressions of each region using only local varieties.

Azahar Vinho Verde is a Loureiro-based blend of several varieties from an organically farmed vineyard close to the Atlantic Ocean. Prunus Branco, an Encruzado-based blend, and Prunus Tinto, a Jaen-based blend are from organically farmed granite and clay vineyards in the lower elevations of the Dao. Bergamota is also from the Dao, but is a Touriga Nacional-based blend that is aged in French oak.



About Prunus Branco

“In the valley of Dão river lays Silgueiros region which dates back to 4000 years. Traces left by the Romans and Moors show that the wine was produced here long before the Christ. The Latin word “Silicarios” means a rocky region and indeed soils here are poor. This is the place where on small plots of land on 400m of altitude the growers take care of vines. Prunus is an expression of that work. Hand-picked grapes by families and neighbors, blended by us, give enchanting wine.”

Prunus Branco



Varietal/Blend: 50% Encruzado / 15% Cerceal Branco /
15% Malvasia Fina / 15% Bical / 5% Others

Farming Practices: practicing organic

Altitude / Exposure: 400m / varied

Soil: granite and clay

Vine Training: Guyot and single cordon Royat

Vine age: 20-50 years

Harvest Technique: hand harvested in 2nd and 3rd
weeks of September at 13° potential alcohol

Yeast: selected

Fermentation: concrete tank and stainless steel
fermentation around 18 to 20 °C / 2 to 6 hours of
maceration

Maturation: 4 months in stainless steel and concrete /
2 months in bottle

Vegan: yes

Alcohol: 13%

Fined: bentonite

Filtered: light

Country: Portugal

Region: Dão

Sub-region: Silgueiros

Vineyard: multiple small grower’s plots

“Well-rounded and harmonious with concentrated fruit flavors of peaches yellow plums, apricots and floral notes while mineral on the palate with long mouth-watering finish. Serve chilled with seafood, fresh fish and creamy pasta.”

– Winemaker’s notes