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 varietals from an organically farmed vineyard close to the Atlantic Ocean. Prunus Blanco, 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 Bergamota

"The mix of the Touriga Nacional grapes from three different Dão Regions: Castendo, Serra da Estrela e Alva gives this wine spectacular complexity, richness and great structure. One of the most famous grapes of Portugal grown on the snowy hills and with its low yields shows unique character – earl grey, tangerine, violet petal aromas packed with dark fruit on the palate. And from those characteristics Bergamota takes its name describing perfectly the liquid in the bottle."

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Varietal/Blend: 80% Touriga Nacional / 5% Tinta Roriz / 5% Jaen / 5% Alfrocheiro / 5% other varieties

Farming Practices: practicing organic

Soil: granite and clay

Vine Training: Guyot and single cordon Royat

Vine age: 30-50 years

Harvest Technique: hand harvested during last week of September at 13° potential alcohol

Yeast: selected

Fermentation: 24-hour cold soak / 12 days maceration in stainless steel vats / malolactic in oak barrels

Maturation: 12 months in 225L neutral, French or

Portuguese oak barrels / 6 months in bottle **Vegan**: yes **Alcohol**: 13% **Fined**: bentonite

Filtered: no

Country: Portugal

Region: Dão

Sub-region: Serra de Estrela

Vineyard: multiple small grower's plots

Bergamota is the expression of elegance and aristocracy. Plenty of violet notes typical of Touriga Nacional. Dense and complex. "Very deep mulberry core with black inflections. The rich and generous nose explodes with ripe cherries, pomegranate seeds, black chocolate and toasted walnuts. Showing slights signs of advancement already, the wine has leather and tobacco leaf notes. The lightly drying tannins are well integrated as is the medium acidity." – Wine Enthusiast.

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