# Prova Nº 6 Rosé 2021

# QPA DOURO D.O.C. PROVA SERIES

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Experimentation is a key tenet of winemaking, as one seeks to make better wines from vintage to vintage. The Prova series allows us to bottle stand out wines from such experimentation. Prova N° 6 2021 Touriga Nacional Rosé is the second experimental Rosado bottling from Quinta da Pedra Alta. The wine is refreshing, textured, and exceptionally drinkable.

VINTAGE: The 2021 growth cycle and harvest was one of the coolest in recent years. A cool summer led to similarly moderate conditions during the harvest period which encouraged slower, gradual maturations with balanced ripening. While three rain events impacted the picking schedule, we achieved optimum ripeness, and the elevation of our vineyards combined with the cool nights contributed to heightened aromatics and vibrant acidity in the resulting wines.

#### VINIFICATION:

Once the grapes are picked our aim throughout is to preserve the aromatics and fresh flavours by gentle handling, and by keeping the fruit and juice as cool as possible. Picked early in the morning the grapes are whole bunch pressed as soon as they arrive at the winery and the juice drained off immediately. The juice is then fermented by wild yeasts at 15°C so that the wine maintains primary fruit aromas and flavours. Throughout the process minimal handling and attention to detail, ensure that the delicate aromatics are not compromised. Fermented to dryness, the wine was matured sur lie for 10 months before being blended and bottled.

#### COLOUR:

Pale salmon AROMA: Delicate aromas of red fruits, together with a floral lift PALATE:

Bursting with strawberries and raspberries with great texture and a sustained finish SERVING TEMPERATURE: Serve at 10 to 12 degrees centigrade FOOD SUGGESTIONS: Olives and fresh bread CELLARING Drink now, but will gain further complexity over the next 3 to 5 years

#### Suitable for Vegetarians & Vegans

VITICULTURE		VINIFICATION			
Grape Varieties (%)	Touriga Nacional (100%)	Winemaker	leão Diros 9 M	latt Cant	
Soil Type	Schist	Fermentation	João Pires & Matt Gant Wild ferment in stainless steel tank		
Vine Age	21 years old	Malolactic	No		
Vines per Ha	Average 3700	Maturation	Stainless steel sur lie Bentonite   0.65 micron cartridge filter April 2022		
Pruning Method	Double cordon	Fining & Filtration Bottling Date			
Altitude above sea Level	350 metres asl				
Yield	Average of 9.5 ton/ha	ANALYSIS			
Harvest Period	31 <sup>st</sup> August 2021	Alcohol (%) Residual Sugar (g/l)	12.0% 1.35g/l	Total Acidity (g/l) Total SO2 (mg/l)	6.2g/l 54mg/l
Harvest Method	Hand picked	pH	3.11	Free SO2 (mg/l)	15mg/l



## Bottles Produced: 1250