

JOSÉ DE SOUSA®

The José de Sousa Rosado Fernandes Cellar was founded in 1878 and was purchased by José Maria da Fonseca in 1986, fulfilling an old dream of producing wine in Alentejo, in a estate full of prestige and history. The estate is located in Reguengos de Monsaraz, and it is here that a 2.000 year old Roman tradition is kept alive. The José de Sousa Cellar owns 114 ceramic amphorae in which an ancient fermentation method takes place. At the José de Sousa winery, the winemaking technique with talhas is still being used in a very similar way as it was 2.000 years ago.

Vintage Information

TYPE OF WINE: Red

VINTAGE: 2018

GRAPES: Grand Noir (52%) | Trincadeira (33%) | Aragonês (15%)

TYPE OF SOIL: Granitic

WINEMAKER: Domingos Soares Franco

VINIFICATION: Fermentation at 26°C

AGEING: 8 months in french oak

DATE OF BOTTLING: December 2020

WINE PRODUCTION: 106 000 liters

AVAILABLE BOTTLES: 750 ml

STORAGE: Store at a temperature of 12°C and humidity of 60%

SHELF LIFE: 10 years after bottling

ANALYSES: 13,5% Alcohol | 5.6 g/l Total Acidity | 3.28 pH

Tasting Notes

COLOR: Deep red

AROMA: Rock rose, maritime pine, pepper, tobacco leaf and smoked

PALATE: Round soft tannins, smoked black pepper

FINISH: Long

Reviews

- **2018 Vintage:** 92 pts (Wine Enthusiast)
- **2017 Vintage:** 92 pts, #56 TOP 100 & Editor's Choice (Wine Enthusiast)
- **2016 Vintage:** 93 pts (Wine Enthusiast)
- **2015 Vintage:** 94 pts (Wine Enthusiast)
- **2014 Vintage:** 93 pts (Wine Enthusiast)
- **2011 Vintage:** 93 pts (Wine Enthusiast)



CLASSIFICATION

Regional

REGION:

Alentejo