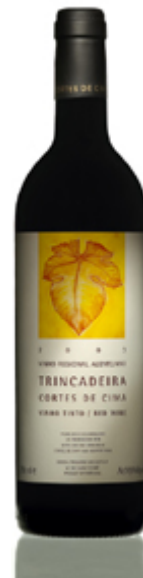


Trincadeira 2009

Cortés de Cima
Vinho Regional Alentejano

Varietal:	100% Trincadeira
Total Acids:	5.5
Final pH:	3.58
Residual Sugars:	3.9
Alcohol:	14 %
Barrel Ageing:	5 months French Oak barrels

Grown, produced and bottled at the family estate.
Bottled unfiltered and filtered in June 2010
Total production: 3.400 bottles



Harvest 2009

An exceptionally cold winter, one of the coldest in 19 years, and a rare snowfall in January! Rainfall was normal at 500mm, mostly concentrated in the winter months, followed by a dry and warm spring and summer. In contrast to chilly January, an unseasonal 'heat spell' in February with temperatures in the low 20s triggered a record early budbreak 26th February.

Vinification

Made exclusively from selected Trincadeira grapes hand picked at optimum maturity from chosen sites in our own vineyards. Fermented without stems under temperature control, frequent delestage, to enhance varietal fruit characters, and to provide tannin structure and balance. Aged for 5 months in French oak barrels.

Our Winemaker's Comments

Spicy, ripe red berry aromas with a savoury fruit palate showing vanillan notes. Well balanced, this wine will drink well over the next 3 years.

Awards

◆ **Bronze Medal – Intl Wine & Spirit Competition – UK 2012**

Ratings

87 – *Wine Spectator*
86 – *Wine Enthusiast*
86 – (Mark Squires) *Robert Parker*

Reviews

Lush and ripe, with notes of cardamom and cumin to the dark plum and cherry flavors. Spice cherry notes on the finish. – *Wine Spectator*

Rough around the edges, this is a wine with some barnyard flavors as well as red berry fruits. It is soft, the tannins surrounded by juiciness. – *Wine Enthusiast*

The 2009 Trincadeira is rather full bodied – for this level at Cortés de Cima – and meaty, with a touch of funk, a hint of stems that gets a bit stronger as it airs out. It is nonetheless a nicely constructed wine, with some character and brightness. – *Robert Parker*



Cortés de Cima
Alentejo, Portugal **Family Vineyards**

Track Record

2004 Vintage - Trophy Prestige - Citadelles du Vin - Bordeaux 2006
2004 Vintage - Silver Medal - Mundus Vini - Germany 2007
2003 Vintage - Silver Medal (BEST IN CLASS) - Intl Wine & Spirit Competition;
2003 Vintage - Silver Medal - Concours Mondial du Vin;
2003 Vintage - Silver Medal - Mundus Vini