



CORTES DE CIMA

FAMILY VINEYARDS ALENTEJO, PORTUGAL

Cortés de Cima Petit Verdot 2010

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Vinho Regional Alentejano

Varietal:	100% Petit Verdot
Total Acids:	5.9
Final pH:	3.53
Residual Sugars:	2.6
Alcohol:	14%
Barrel Ageing:	12 months in French Oak (100%)

Grown, produced and bottled at the family estate
Bottled in April 2012
Total production: 6.250 bottles



Awards

- ◆ Silver Medal – Intl Wine & Spirit Competition – UK 2014
- ◆ Silver Medal – Concours Mondial de Bruxelles 2014
- ◆ Silver Medal – Challenge International du Vin 2014
- ◆ Silver Medal – Decanter Asia Wine Awards 2013

Ratings

90 – Wine Enthusiast
88 – Robert Parker/Mark Squires

Reviews

"Petit Verdot seems right at home in the southern Alentejo. This wine is fully ripe, and genuinely fruity. Very juicy and packed with black fruits, it's full-bodied and dense." - *Wine Enthusiast*

"A nice performance for this mono-varietal this year, it may be the best (Petit Verdot) yet from the winery." – *Mark Squires (February, 2014) erobertparker.com*

Harvest 2010

Vintage 2010 experienced new record-breaking climatic extremes, both in winter rainfall and summer heat. A difficult growing season and harvest due to delayed ripening. Fine harvest weather.

Vinification

Made exclusively from selected grapes hand picked at optimum maturity from our own vineyards. Fermented without stems under temperature control, frequent delestage, followed by extended skin maceration to enhance varietal fruit characters, and to provide tannin structure and balance. Aged for 12 months in French (100%) oak barrels, and then blended to give balanced varietal fruit and oak components. Bottled, unfiltered and lightly filtered in April 2012. May be subject to throw a deposit.

Our Winemaker's Comments

Made from fully ripe, hand selected grapes, exclusively Petit Verdot (100%). Spicy, perfumed aromas of toasty oak and blackcurrants with some minty notes. A firm elegant palate, lovely balance, finishing with nicely dry tannins.

Track Record

2009 Vintage - Gold Medal – Concours Mondial de Bruxelles 2012
2009 Vintage - Silver Medal (Outstanding) – Intl Wine & Spirit Competition 2012
2009 Vintage - Silver Medal – International Wine Challenge – London 2013
2008 Vintage - 91 – *Wine Enthusiast*
2008 Vintage - Silver Medal – Intl Wine & Spirit Competition 2011
2008 Vintage - Silver Medal - International Wine Challenge 2010