



ALENTEJO - PORTUGAL
CORTES DE CIMA
FAMILY VINEYARDS

Chaminé Branco 2018

Cortes de Cima
Vinho Regional Alentejano

Varieties: 40% Verdelho, 30% Alvarinho, 30% Sauvignon Blanc
Total Acids: 5.6
Final pH: 3.34
Total Sugar: 0.8
Alcohol: 12,5%

Bottled on the family estate in February 2019
Fermented and aged in stainless steel



Awards

88 – Robert Parker
16 – Jancis Robinson

Reviews

"A nice combination of herbal notes from the Sauvignon and a more peachy Verdelho character. (...) **Full, dry and zesty on the palate.**" *Julia Harding MW, JancisRobinson.com, January 2020*

"**Elegant and perky**, this is one of those lighter-styled whites that compensates with freshness and aromatics. A little green, and very enlivening, this also overachieves in its youth. Right now, this is rather **glorious in its freshness**, making me want to lean up it yet again. The tense finish just seals the deal." *Mark Squires, The Wine Advocate, August 2019*

Harvest 2018

Cold, dry winter followed by a cool, humid spring finally interrupted by a short-lived heat wave in August, which kick-started the late summer. Harvest was consequently later than usual, and short in order to preserve the natural freshness that highlights the year.

Vinification

A blend of Verdelho, Alvarinho, Sauvignon Blanc grown sustainably in sandy soils in our cool, Alentejan Atlantic coastal vineyards. Harvested during the cool hours of the early morning, the grapes were destemmed and pressed, followed by settling at low temperatures for 24 hours. Fermented at controlled temperatures in tanks for 15 days and matured on fine lees for 5 months, with regular stirring.

Our Winemaker's comments

Fresh and crisp, with expanding vibrant citrus and herbal notes and a saline finish.

Track Record

2017 Vintage - 88 – Robert Parker
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2017 Vintage - 16 - Jancis Robinson
2016 Vintage - 87 – Robert Parker
2015 Vintage - 87 – Robert Parker
2015 Vintage - 87 - Wine Enthusiast
2015 Vintage - Silver Medal – Concours Mondial Bruxelles 2016
2015 Vintage - Silver Medal – Intl Wine & Spirit Competition 2016

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2014 Vintage - 87 - Robert Parker
2012 Vintage - Silver Medal - Concours Mondial de Bruxelles 2013
2011 Vintage - Silver Medal - Concours Mondial de Bruxelles 2012
2010 Vintage - 87 - Wine Spectator
2010 Vintage - 86 - 'Best Buy' - Wine Spectator
2010 Vintage - Silver Medal - IWC London 2011
2009 Vintage - 88 - i-winereview
2009 Vintage - 87 - Wine Enthusiast "Best Buy"
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