



RIBEIRO SANTO ENVELOPE

DOC DÃO White 2016

REGION

The D.O.C. Dão region is one of the oldest Wine Regions of Portugal, which goes back to 1908. Located in central Portugal in a mountainous region ranging from 400 to 700 m above sea level, this region has its reference point at the mountain "Serra da Estrela", the highest in mainland Portugal's. Its name comes from the river that crosses the Region, the river Dão. The characteristics of the wines are strongly influenced by the granitic terrain and the fact that the vines are inserted in forests with pines, eucalyptus and oak trees.

VINEYARDS

The vineyard is planted following the traditional plantation methods, in poor ground granite soils, with large rocky outcrops, where you can have a magnificent perspective of the highness of the Mountain Serra da Estrela. The entire vineyard is planted following an integrated Production System, which demonstrates a great concern with the environmental issues. Carlos Lucas calls these new wines *Envelope*, evoking the Time (the day and night) a letter takes to reach its destination. Communication takes its time enjoying the best of two worlds with a classic red & white Dão Doc.

VINIFICATION

Made with Encruzado grapes harvested from Ribeiro Santo's old vineyards and another plot in São João de Lourosa. We used wine lees from 2015 to produce this White - the fermentation of the must occurred under these same lees, including own lees from 2016. Fermented later in 300L barrels where it aged for 6 months with battonage. After bottling, we kept the wine for another 6 months.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Clear lemony colour. Delicate aroma with notes of white fruit, aromatic herbs with a mineral profile. In the mouth it shows complexity and freshness, with refreshing minerality and citric acidity.

Alcoholic degree	13,5 % vol.
Total Acidity	6,5 g/L
pH	3,26
Total sugar	1,0 g/L
Grape varieties	Encruzado
Ageing	300L Barrel
Winemaking	Carlos Lucas
Production	1600 bottles

