



## DEFESA DO ESPORÃO

ROSE 2015

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**Philosophy:** A wine with a contemporary style, showing an elegant and intense profile. The wines show the character of the selected vineyard parcels on the Estate.

**Harvest Year:** A dry winter followed by above average temperatures in spring and summer, gave rise to an early start to the harvest. Although temperatures continued to be high, there was no extreme heat during the vintage, and the dry conditions were excellent for fruit quality, producing wines with intense, persistent, aromatic fruit.

**Viticulture:**

Soil Type: Granite/schist rock with clay/loam soil.

Average age of vines: 10 years.

**Grapes Varieties:** Syrah, Aragonês.

**Vinification:** Aragonês and Syrah vinified with short maceration time. Destemming, must chilling, short skin contact, pneumatic pressing, and fermentation with temperature control (15°C) in stainless steel tanks, centrifugation, cold stabilization and filtration.

**Bottling:** February 2016

**Chemical Analyses:**

Alcohol: 13%

Total Acidity: 7,30 g/l

pH: 3,30

Reducing Sugar: 1,1 g/l

**Wine makers:** David Baverstock and Sandra Alves.

**Colour:** Lively deep pink colour.

**Aroma:** Fresh red berry fruit aromatics, touch of mint.

**Palate:** Intense palate with raspberry notes, elegant, balanced and good persistent acid finish.

**Ideal Consumption Date:** 2016-2017

**Formats Available:** 750 ml