

João Portugal Ramos

Marquês de Borba

WINE: Marquês de Borba

TYPE: White Wine

DENOMINATION: Alentejo DOC

VINTAGE: 2006

GRAPE VARIETY: Arinto, Rabo de Ovelha and

Roupeiro

COUNTRY: Portugal

Vinification: These handpicked estate grapes are fermented cool in stainless steel and then aged in tank without any wood treatment.

Press:

<u>Wine Enthusiast</u>, August 2005 (2006 vintage) **87 Points**: Named after local nobility in the city of Borba, this is a popular brand in Portugal. In its white manifestation, the wine is soft, very clean, with pear and cinnamon flavors, the texture just moving toward fat, but working well as a food wine.

"BEST BUY" - <u>Wine Enthusiast</u>, November 2006, (2005 vintage): 89 Points. "Deliciously spicy and citrusy, this blend of Arinto, Rabi de Ovelha and Roupeiro is quickly becoming one of Portugal's go-to whites."

<u>Food & Wine 2008 Wine Guide</u>, (2005 Vintage) TWO STARS**

Wine Enthusiast, August 2005 (2004 vintage):

88 Points: "this is a deliciously delicate, fresh wine. Packed with acidity and flavors of almonds and green fruits, it is ripe but always crisp and clean."

The Underground Wine Journal: (1999 Vintage), 16 1/2 points: "Clean, floral, herb, pear and dry apple aromas. Similar fresh, fruity apple and floral flavors."

Robert M Parker, Jr., <u>The Wine Advocate</u>, Aug. 28, 2000 (1998 Vintage): 85 points: "crisp, with a Thai lemon grass note to the bouquet, as well as refreshing, light-bodied, subtle fruit flavors." "fine value…it is an ideal aperitif"

Tasting Notes: Enticing scents of kiwi, baked apple, cinnamon, and a pinch of white pepper introduce a medium-bodied mouthful of ripe fruit and spice. Refreshing citrus balances the flavors and carries them through to a long, delicious finish that beckons another sip.



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