



Quinta de Ventozelo Vinzelo

WINE:	Vinzelo
TYPE:	Red Wine
DENOMINATION:	Douro DOC
VINTAGE:	2005
GRAPE VARIETY:	Tinta Roriz (40%) Touriga Franca (20%) Tinta Barroca (30%) Touriga Nacional (10%)
COUNTRY:	Portugal

The Estate: Quinta de Ventozelo is one of the oldest quintas in the Douro region, as well as one of the biggest and best located. Until the property was bought by Proinsa, it was producing Porto wine in bulk for big shippers from Vila Nova de Gaia. In the past, many of the international award-winning Porto wines had been made from grapes grown in Quinta de Ventozelo. Such a successful past led the current owners to produce wines under their own brand name. Quinta de Ventozelo is, therefore, new in terms of marketing, but old in tradition and success.



The Wine: Enjoy this fresh-style and delicious wine on any occasion: serve with pizzas, pasta and roast chicken. The wine has a soft red color with an intense fruity and floral aroma. Clean, fresh flavors finish with a burst of fruit in the mouth.

Vinification: The grapes are crushed in a pneumatic press. Fermentation takes place in stainless steel tanks, for a period of 8 to 10 days, at a controlled temperature of 12°C. No barrel ageing. 100% of the wine is kept in stainless steel tanks for 3 months before it is released to keep all the freshness of the wine. It is then filtered and bottled at Quinta de Ventozelo.

Press: TOP VALUE (2005 Vintage) Recommended Wines from Portugal: Top Values.

Wine Spectator, December 2006, *Kim Marcus*. **86 Points:** Very juicy and fresh-tasting, with good structure and red plum and raspberry flavors. Drink now through 2008. **Wine Spectator**

Boston Globe **“Plonkapalooza”**, November 2007, **Top 3 of 25 Wines under \$12.00**

“Satisfyingly full-bodied with fine heft, some real grip, and a few layers of interest. A standout!”



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