Casa de Santar

Casa de Santar Reserva 2005

THE WINE: This is the reserve wine from one of the most historically-significant wineries in Portugal and the Dão region's single largest estate. Casa de Santar was originally established in 1640 and has been in the hands of the same family for 13 consecutive generations, the current generation being lead by winemaker Pedro de Vasconcellos e Souza. The grapes in this wine are grown on the Estate. Old vines and 12-months of aging in 100% new Seguin Moreau French oak barrels create a wine that is exceptionally rich and elegant.



2005 vintage:

88 pts Wine Spectator: A jammy yet balanced red, with blueberry, dark cherry and dark plum flavors that are accented by an Asian spice note. The lush finish features chocolate and plum pudding. 9/30/09 **2004 vintage:**

92 pts Wine Enthusiast: A deep, concentrated, impressive wine that works on many levels. There are the blackberry fruits, almost jammy, that are enhanced by the tobacco and new wood flavors. Then there is the strong, underlying dryness that promises considerable aging. And there is the elegance. A smooth wine whose tannins work around the core of structure and style. 7/08

91 pts Wine & Spirits Lively sour cherry flavors and firm tannins meld in this meaty, robust Dão. New oak scents dominate it for now, but there's plenty of fruit to absorb the oak over time. Cellar it, then serve with pork and clams. 4/09

Silver, 2008 Decanter World Wine Awards:

Great, rich and complex aromas of red and black berries. Some tones of leather and spice. Great wine, great structure, very well balanced with an excellent oak integration. 11/08.

Food & Wine 2009 Wine Guide: This wine is wonderfully spicy, with notes of dried sausage. Plum, blackberry and black cherry fruit also shine through.



DENOMINATION: Dão, DOC

VINTAGE: 2005

GRAPES: Touriga Nacional Alfrocheiro Preto, Tinta Roriz

COUNTRY: Portugal
CASE SIZE: 6/750ml
UPC: 738241028469
SUGGESTED RETAIL:

TASTING NOTE: Deep color, good aromatic intensity with dark fruits and smoke. Elegant on the palate, revealing robust tannins and a long finish.

KEY SELLING POINTS:

- Casa de Santar is one of the most historic wineries in Portugal and the leading producer in the Dão, Portugal's oldest red wine-producing region.
- ➤ Pedro de Vasconcellos is the 17th generation winemaker, continuing a long family tradition.
- Estate-grown grapes, old vines, and prime vineyard location
- Exceptional quality

