



# Quinta do Crasto

*Produced only in exceptional vintages, this wine is produced from the best Touriga Franca plots on the estate.*



## Touriga Franca 2017

Douro, Portugal

### Winemaking:

The grapes, coming from the best Touriga Franca plots of Quinta do Crasto, are brought to the winery in 22 kg plastic boxes where they undergo strict selection. After complete destemming and slight crushing, the juice is transferred to temperature-controlled stainless-steel tanks. Once the alcoholic fermentation is completed, the juice is gently pressed. Aging: 8 months in French oak barrels.

### Tasting Notes:

Deep purple in color. On the nose, it impresses by its intensity and concentration of aromas of red fruits, which are in perfect harmony with delicate floral notes. The palate is rich and elegant, with excellent volume and silky tannins, all very well integrated with notes of red fruits. The finish is balanced and delivers an extraordinary persistence and freshness. A wine that perfectly reflects the identity of the Touriga Franca grape variety.

Alcohol :14,00 %

Composition: 100% Touriga Franca



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## Touriga Franca 2017



**Robert Parker (RP) : 95 Points (2017)**

*This 2017 Touriga Franca is the second release of Crasto's new monovarietal, sourced from 36-year-old vines in two vineyards. It was aged for 18 months in 90% new French oak and comes in at 14.5% alcohol. This was a vat sample when seen, but it was the final blend. Solid in the mid-palate and nicely concentrated, this overall has a serious and somewhat stern demeanor. There are hints of herbs and licorice, but the key here is the structure and how it coats the palate more than any fruity personality. It's not fleshy or sweet but rather reserved. Yet it is gripping all the while. With aeration, it comes around fairly quickly, becoming much more elegant. This is a nice step forward for Crasto with this new brand. It could use a year in the bottle. It should hold reasonably well, granting that there is no track record. There were 7,689 bottles produced, plus some large-format bottles.*



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