Niepoort

Known for its structure and precision , Redoma Tinto is crafted from traditional Douro grape varieties, including Tinta Amarela , Tinta Roriz , and Touriga Franca , showcasing the complex character of the region's terroir.

Redoma Tinto 2022

Douro, Portugal

Region and Vineyards

Niepoort Redoma Tinto hails from the **Douro Valley**, one of the world's oldest and most dramatic wine regions. The vineyards used for Redoma are located on **north-facing slopes** of **Quinta de Nápoles** and in the **Pinhão Valley**, where **schist soils** and steep terraces provide an ideal environment for the cultivation of indigenous Douro grape varieties. The cooler, north-facing aspect helps to preserve freshness and acidity in the grapes, while the **old vines**, aged over **70 years**, contribute to the wine's concentration and depth.

These vineyards are situated at altitudes ranging from **150 to 500 meters**, allowing for a slow ripening process, which enhances the complexity and balance of the fruit. The extreme conditions of the Douro, with hot days and cool nights, play a crucial role in creating wines that are both powerful and elegant.

Winemaking

The growing season was characterized by **dry weather**, with warm temperatures in spring, followed by a cooler summer. These conditions allowed for a slow, even ripening of the grapes, resulting in fruit with excellent balance between sugar, acidity, and tannins. The harvest began in **August** and ended in **October**.

Fermentation took place in **stainless steel lagares** using **100% whole bunches**, with mechanized stomping. The wine then underwent **malolactic fermentation** and aged for **22 months in old wooden barrels**, allowing it to develop its complex, layered profile. This traditional approach to winemaking helps preserve the purity and authenticity of the vineyard expression, giving Redoma its distinctive character.

Alcohol :12,50 %

Composition: 100% Vinhas Velhas

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Tasting Notes

- **Color**: Deep ruby red with violet hues.
- **Aroma**: The nose is delicate yet complex, with aromas of **red fruit**, such as **cherries**, intertwined with **floral notes**, minty freshness, and a touch of **smokiness**, adding layers of complexity.
- **Palate**: The wine is well-structured with good volume and a silky texture. It reveals flavors of **spice**, **red berries**, and a balanced acidity that leads to a long, lingering finish. The tannins are fine and integrated, giving the wine a precise, harmonious profile.

Did you know?

Niepoort Redoma Tinto is considered a benchmark for Douro wines, being one of the first table wines to challenge the traditional focus on Port production in the region. **Redoma** reflects **Dirk Niepoort's** vision of creating elegant, terroir-driven wines that showcase the complexity and aging potential of Douro reds.

Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Pepper Steak**: The wine's spicy and smoky notes complement the peppery flavors of the steak, while its structure balances the richness of the meat.
- **Venison**: The bold flavors of the wine are a perfect match for game, with its depth enhancing the earthiness of venison.
- **Mushroom Dishes**: For a vegetarian option, the earthy and floral characteristics of the wine pair beautifully with **spicy mushroom** dishes.
- **Grilled Red Meats**: The firm tannins and complex fruit profile make Redoma a great match for grilled meats, especially when seasoned with herbs and spices.

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Robert Parker (RP) : 94 Points (2021)

The perfumed and elegant (for this wine) 2021 Redoma shows the freshness of the vintage with a moderate 12% alcohol and a fine texture. This is a village wine from very old vineyards in Vale do Tedo, field blends with lots of Tinta Amarela (but also many others, such as Touriga Franca, Tinta Roriz, Tinta Amarela, Tinto Cão, Rufete, Bastardo...). It fermented in lagar with full clusters and matured in very old and large (2,000- to 11,000-liter) oak vats where it matured for one year. It's spicy and peppery, with some nutty notes, a little earthy and savory with structure and tannin, medium to full-bodied. This is a very important wine for Niepoort, a little more rustic but representing the Douro character, a little bit their flagship red (Dirk said: no barrique, lots of stems, a wilder wine). 30,000 bottles produced. It was bottled in July 2023.