

# PERIQUITA

SINCE 1850

Periquita is renowned for being Portugal's first ever bottled red. That's where its originality comes from. And in existence since 1850, we've been around to celebrate the Portuguese way of life: laid-back, relaxed, warm, fruity and with a spicy nose. That's what Portugal is all about and that we want you to enjoy.

The history of Periquita is interwoven with the story of José Maria da Fonseca itself, beginning in the 1820s when the founding father of the company, José Maria da Fonseca arrived in Lisbon and bought several local properties. One such purchase, most probably in 1846, was Cova da Periquita. It was on that property that José Maria da Fonseca planted red grapes of the Castelão variety. Periquita is now the oldest brand of Portuguese table wines, having acquired widespread popularity over the years in Portugal and considerable brand awareness in export markets such as Sweden, Brazil, the UK, the USA, Canada, Denmark and Norway.

## Vintage Information

**TYPE OF WINE:** Red

**VINTAGE:** 2017

**GRAPES:** Castelão (95%) | Cabernet Sauvignon (4%) | Tinta Francisca (1%)

**TYPE OF SOIL:** Clay-Lime

**WINEMAKER:** Winemakers team of José Maria da Fonseca

**VINIFICATION:** Full maceration with some stems at 28°C, in 3.000 kilos *lagares*

**AGEING:** 10 months in new French oak barrels

**DATE OF BOTTLING:** April 2019

**WINE PRODUCTION:** 5980 liters

**AVAILABLE BOTTLES:** 750 ml

**STORAGE:** The bottles should be stored at a temperature 12°C and 60% humidity

**SHELF LIFE:** 15 years after bottling

**SERVING SUGGESTIONS:** Serve at 14/16°C. It is excellent with meat dishes and cheese.

**ANALYSES:** 14,4% Alcohol | 5,6 g/l Total Acidity | 3,62 pH

## Tasting Notes

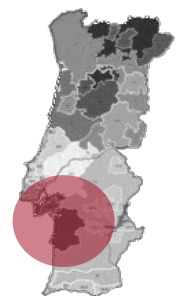
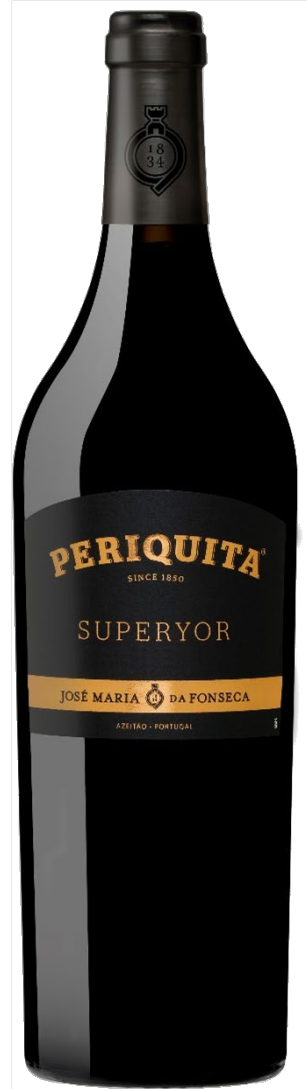
**COLOR:** Ruby

**AROMA:** Elegant aroma with a very interesting interaction between woody notes and the sweet aroma of licorice.

**PALATE:** Black fruit, woods, licorice with very elegant tannins with a long and distinct.

## Reviews

- **2015 Vintage:** Robert Parker, The Wine Advocate (95 pts)
- **2009 Vintage:** Robert Parker, The Wine Advocate (92 pts); "The Best Red Wine of The Year" (Aníbal Coutinho);
- **2008 Vintage:** Robert Parker, The Wine Advocate (92 pts); Award of Excellence ("Best of 2010")



**CLASSIFICATION**

Regional

**REGION:**

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