



SCORES

91 Points, Wine & Spirits, 2011

QUINTA DOS CANAIS VINTAGE 2005

COCKBURNS

Cockburn's was founded in 1815 by Robert Cockburn, of Scottish origins. In 2010 Cockburn's celebrated its 195th birthday by joining Symington Family Estates, reverting to family ownership after an interlude of 48 years. In the upper Douro Valley, Quinta do Canais is Cockburn's premier vineyard, whose wines form the backbone of its famed Vintage Ports. Known for its innovative vineyard practices Cockburn's was instrumental in promoting and conserving the indigenous Touriga Nacional grape varietal.

QUINTA DOS CANAIS

Located in the Upper Douro valley, Quinta dos Canais is Cockburn's jewel in the crown and the wine from this magnificent property has formed the backbone of Cockburn's Vintages for nearly 100 years. Cockburn's were the first port company to plant an experimental vineyard when, in 1930 John Smithes began a major research program with the aim to improve the quality of port. In the late 1970s, they also took the first initiative in conserving the Portuguese grape variety Touriga Nacional by extensively planting in varietal blocks with 100 hectares solely dedicated to this unique grape variety.

WINEMAKER

Charles Symington and Ricardo Carvalho.

FOOD PAIRING

Pairs wonderfully with chocolate desserts and creamy blue cheeses, but it can also be enjoyed simply on its own.

TASTING NOTE

Deep ruby color. On the nose intense aromas of blackberry fruit and hints of bitter dark chocolate. On the palate full bodied and medium sweet, with very fine pure berry fruit flavors leading to a long and complex finish.

Decanting: Recommended

Suitable for Vegans

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STORAGE & SERVING

After about 10 years of aging in the bottle horizontally in a dark place with a constant cool temperature (55°F). These wines can be drunk young by those who enjoy a more fruit driven style, but will also age superbly over the decades to come.

WINE SPECIFICATION

Alcohol: 20% vol

Total acidity: 4.8 g/l tartaric acid

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