





SCORES

98 Points, Wine Spectator, 2003 94 points, Wine Advocate, 2002

VINTAGE PORT 2000

THE WINE

The 2000 Vintage will be remembered for the immense concentration of its wines and for the small quantities produced. The first Vintage of the 21st Century.

VINTAGE OVERVIEW

The winter was exceptionally dry with virtually no rain from October to the end of February. There were bright blue skies day after day and temperatures were very mild. Consequently this led to an early bud burst. However, cool and wet weather set in during April and the rains persisted into May, which registered three times the normal average rainfall. This slowed down vine development and flowering was delayed into May. During the month of June ideal dry weather conditions prevailed. July and August saw some useful showers although the summer wasn't one of extreme heat, so vine development towards the end of August was slightly behind normal. September began with an unusually hot period, leading to a rapid advancement in maturity. When the Vintage started, the fruit was in excellent condition, the grapes looking slightly "raisined" as good Port grapes should. Fermentations took place under near ideal conditions, no cooling being required; in fact a little heating was needed due to quite cool nights. The ideal fermentation temperatures produced wonderfully aromatic musts.

WINEMAKER: Charles Symington

STORAGE & SERVING

Graham's 2000 Vintage Port is a fabulous way to end a lunch or dinner. It pairs wonderfully with chocolate desserts, such as chocolate mousse, but it can also be enjoyed on its own, providing a memorable moment in the company of good friends.

Suitable for Vegans

TASTING NOTE

Aromas of ripe plum and gum cistus. Full and rich in the mouth with fresh blackberry and red plum notes. Despite the hallmarked Graham sweetness; the finish is long and clean.

WINE SPECIFICATION

Alcohol: 20% vol

Total acidity: 4.58 g/l tartaric acid

Decanting: Recommended

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