



SCORES

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VINTAGE PORT 1985

SMITH WOODHOUSE

Smith Woodhouse is a specialist producer of premium quality Ports. The uniformity of this quality is underpinned by Smith Woodhouse's own Madalena vineyard from where the wines are largely sourced. This small Quinta (vineyard property) has the highest "A" quality rating and is located in the Rio Torto district, acknowledged as one of the finest Port growing areas. Over the coming years, the recently acquired Quinta do Vale Coelho, further upriver in the Douro Superior, producing full and elegant wines, will gradually form an important component of Smith Woodhouse's Ports.

VINTAGE OVERVIEW

The winter and spring of 1985 was extremely wet, with a cold spell in May, and by June the vines were some three weeks behind normal development. Hot and dry weather in July and August brought development back to normal. The summer-like weather continued from early September right up to the vintage, thus ensuring an excellent final ripening period, and was only broken by one night's refreshing rain which softened the skins and ensured maximum colour extraction during fermentation. The Vintage took place under ideal climatic conditions.

TASTING NOTE

A rich Vintage characterised for its luscious fruit and round tannins. This wine has lovely violet aromas, showing plenty of grip and power.

WINEMAKER Peter and Charles Symington

PROVENANCE Quinta da Madalena

GRAPE VARIETIES Mixed Old Vines - 56% Touriga Franca - 44%

WINE SPECIFICATION Alcohol: 20% vol Total acidity: 3.9 g/l tartaric acid

Decanting: Not Required

Suitable for Vegans.

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STORAGE & SERVING

Store the bottle horizontally in a dark place with constant cool temperature, ideally 55°F.

Smith Woodhouse 1985 Vintage Port is also delicious on its own or when enjoyed with any type of creamy cheese, such as Camembert or Brie.

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