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Herdade Do Rocim



2011 Olho de Mocho Branco “Reserva”- Herdade do Rocim

Rating: 93+

While I have only tasted a couple of vintages of the Olho de Mocho Branco, I find it is

quickly becoming one of my favorite white wines in the region, as its gently oaky and classy personality really works well at the table. The 2011 Olho de Mocho Branco Reserva was made entirely from Antão Vaz, from the domaine’s oldest vines and came in at a ripe, but again, quite civilized thirteen percent alcohol. The bouquet is deep, complex and beautifully presented, offering up scents of tart pear, beeswax, lovely, white soil tones, wild fennel, spring flowers and a stylish base of vanillin oak. On the palate the wine is deep, full-bodied and complex, with excellent focus and balance, a rock solid core, a generous, but well-measured framing of new wood, crisp acids and excellent length and grip on the complex and elegant finish. This is a white wine of high aspiration and the 2011 version has really turned out beautifully. High class juice and a beautiful barometer of just how good the white wines can be in the Alentejo. 2013-2018.

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