



Herdade do Rocim

as reviewed by Roger Voss

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2017 Olho de Mocho Reserva Single Vineyard Red (Alentejano)

From the oldest vineyard in the Rocim estate, this wine shows the fine concentration of old vines along with dense layers of black fruits and tannins. It is an opulent wine, packed with luscious black fruits. **(94 points)**

2016 Grande Rocim Arinto (Alentejo)

A wood-aged, fragrant and rich wine that is produced from a selection of grapes. The wine is ripe, full of green plum and apple flavors that opened out by the wood flavors. The wine could age further but is ready to drink now. **(93 points)**

2018 Reserva Red (Alentejano)

This is a full ripe wine, balancing tannins and generous black fruits. The wine has density and dark power, a rich combination. Juicy acidity and the wood aging add further complexity to this concentrated wine. **(93 points)**

2018 Olho de Mocho Reserva Single Vineyard Antão Vaz (Alentejano)

Old vine Antão Vaz has produced a smoothly textured, ripe wine. Its toastiness is subtle, leaving plenty of room for the perfumed fruit and tangy texture. The wine is elegant, ready to drink now. **(92 points)**

2017 Clay Aged Red (Alentejo)

Aged in clay amphorae after fermenting in open stone lagars, this wine is as traditional in winemaking as possible. Its richness and tannins reveal ripe extraction and generous black fruits both of which need time. **(92 points)**

2018 Red (Alentejano)

Still young, this rich wine is full of dark black fruits. Its youth shows in the dry tannins and the structure that is still developing. It is going to be a fine, ripe and fruity wine with touch of wood aging. **(91 points)**

2018 Vale de Mata White (Lisboa)

From a small vineyard owned by this producer in the Lisboa region, the wine is a crisp blend of Arinto, Vital and Viosinho. It is packed with acidity, with lime fruitiness and a light minerality. **(91 points)**

2018 Alicante Bouschet (Alentejano)

Bold and rich, this is a powerful and dense black fruit wine. Tannins still show strongly giving the wine structure as well as fruitiness. Juicy, with layers of ripe fruit, the wine will be ready from 2021. **(91 points)**

2018 Touriga Nacional (Alentejano)

This richly perfumed wine has beautifully juicy black fruits and generous tannins. It is full of structure while also having a southern warmth and ripeness. **(Best Buy, 90 points)**

2019 Amphora Red (Alentejo)

Aged in amphorae, the wine was made naturally with wild yeast. The result is a fine textured, fruity wine with a strongly juicy character as well as light tannins. The wine should be deliciously ready from 2021. **(90 points)**

2019 Amphora White (Alentejo)

Aged in amphorae with natural yeast, the blend includes two unusual vines: Perrum (a k a Pedro Ximenez) and the rare Mantenido. It is softly textured, ripe and full of spice and balanced acidity. **(90 points)**

2019 White (Alentejano)

A lightly wood-aged wine with ripe pear and apple flavors to match the toastiness. The wine has a fresh character, full of acidity as well as a fine mineral texture. Drink from late 2020. **(89 points)**

2018 Clay Aged White (Alentejo)

A soft, creamy wine with an oxidative character that masks the fruitiness but does give richness and layers of structure. **(88 points)**

2019 Mariana Tinto Red (Alentejano)

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