



DOW'S
PORT

SENHORA DA RIBEIRA 2008 VINTAGE PORT

Dow's Quinta da Senhora da Ribeira was one the principal components of Dow's 100 Point 2007 Vintage Port in the Wine Spectator.

The Ribeira '08 is a blend of 40% Touriga Nacional picked from a relatively young block, N°7 planted in 2004 in the Vinha Grande vineyard, which brought freshness to the wine. 40% Touriga Franca from block 19 (1500 vines yielding just 1Kg each) and block 36. These two Touriga Franca blocks are adjacent to the house in a low lying South facing location that ripened to perfection and produced extremely aromatic wines. 20% Vinha Velha from blocks 28, 29 and 30. These old mixed plantings are over 30 years old and incredibly low yielding, giving great concentration and structure to the wine.

GRAPE VARIETIES:

| VARIETY | BLOCK | PERCENT | YIELDS PER VINE | BAUMÉ |
|-------------|------------|---------|-----------------|-------|
| T. Nacional | 7 | 40% | 800 g | 13.2 |
| T. Franca | 19, 36 | 40% | 1.2 Kg | 13.0 |
| V. Velha | 28, 29, 30 | 20% | 0.46 g | 13.4 |

PICKING:

Picking took place between the 19th of September and the 13th of October.

VINIFICATION:

- Fermentation with natural yeast
- Fortification at 7° Baumé
- Senhora da Ribeira 2008 was vinified 100% in our stainless steel automated treaders.

WINE SPECIFICATION:

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| Alcohol by Volume: | 20% v/v (20°C) |
| Total acidity: | 4.8 (g/l) |
| Baumé: | 3.4 |

Each component of the blend was held in wooden vats for 18 months after which it was racked and blended.

BOTTLING:

Bottled in May 2010 with no filtration or fining whatsoever.

Only 300 cases of 9 litres, 3600 bottles were bottled. This represents a mere 3% of the Quintas production in 2008.

TASTING NOTE:

Deep dark colour. The nose is dominated by ripe berry fruit aromas with a layer of spice giving great complexity. The mouth is very structured with a long and lingering fresh peppery finish.

WINE MAKERS:

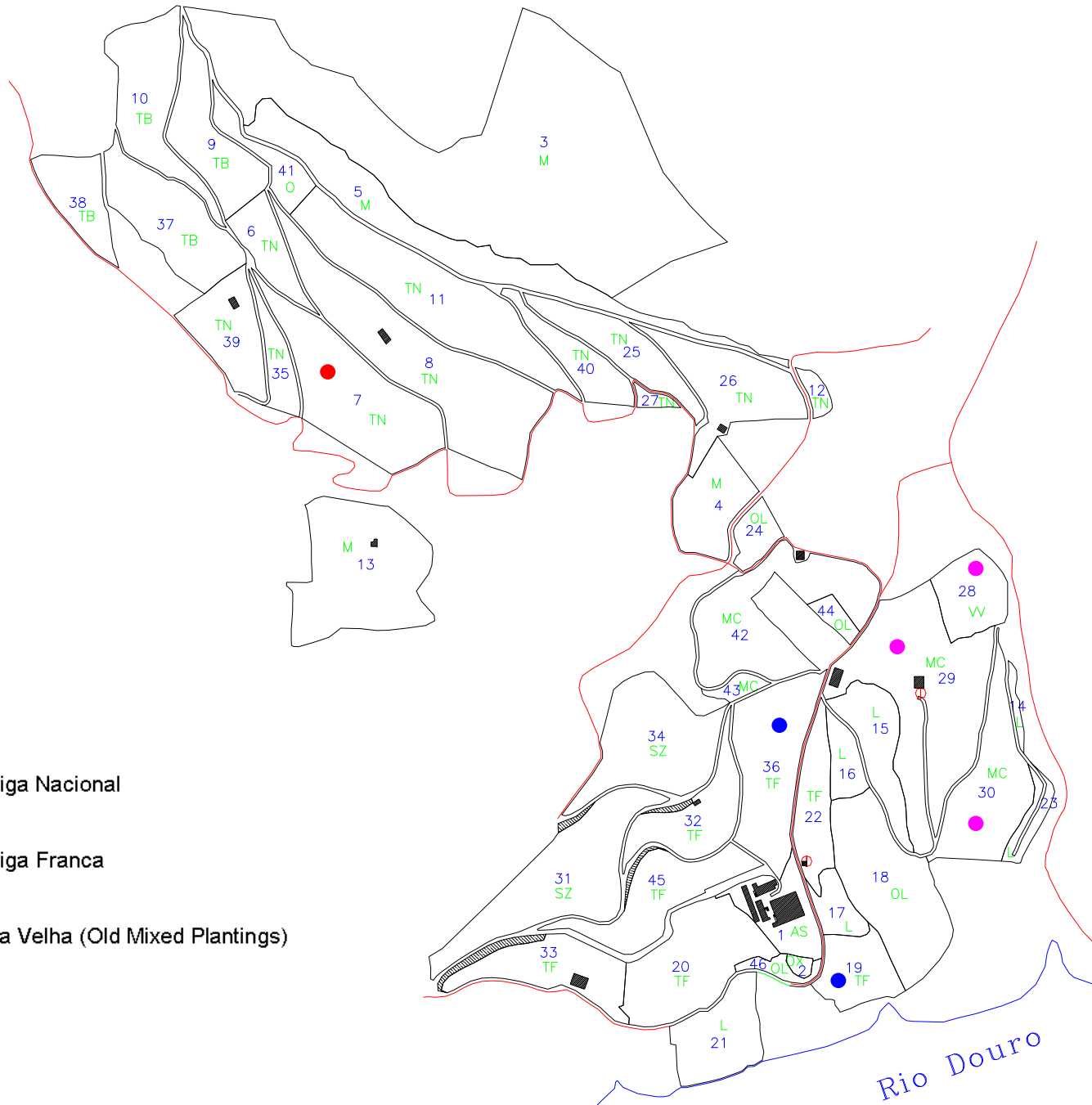
- Peter Symington
- Charles Symington
- Ricardo Carvalho

TASTING PANEL:

Peter, Charles,
Paul, Johnny, Dominic, Rupert Symington

Oporto, May 2010

- Touriga Nacional
- Touriga Franca
- Vinha Velha (Old Mixed Plantings)



SRA DA RIBEIRA