



## 2017 Herdade de Catapereiro Escolha Tinto

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Rating: 87

Drink: 2020-2023

Cost: \$14-16

The 2017 Escolha Catapereiro is a blend of 40% Touriga Nacional and 30% each of Aragonez and Alicante Bouschet, all aged for nine months in well-used and mostly (90%) French oak. It comes in at 14% alcohol. This is exceptionally tasty this year, soft and fruity with big bursts of blue fruit flavors. There's not a lot of structure, which limits this wine's ceiling, but at the moment, it is so delicious that I feel compelled to lean up on it. Be careful, though—that fresh fruit is what this is all about. No matter how long it theoretically lasts, drink it young. It is super right now. It might go nowhere but down. The price is very nice. It should be a great picnic wine this summer.