



## 2016 Branco Lua Cheia em Vinhas Velhas DOC Douro

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Rating: 88

Drink: 2017-2019

Cost: \$12-14

The 2016 Branco is a field blend from old vines, unoaked and coming in at 12.5% alcohol. It is fresh, young and vigorous. It was bottled December 19, 2016 and was in bottle only a couple of months when seen, but it showed well, especially in its price range. It is a fresh, summer white. A bit green, perky, pointed and tasty, it has a gloriously refreshing feel to it—a sort of Vinho Verde feel. There's not a lot of concentration and it may not stay at peak all that long, but drink this as young as possible—this summer would be nice—and it will be impossible to resist.