



2016 Rose Tyto Alba

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Rating: 87

Drink: 2017-2019 Cost: \$18-20

The 2016 Rosé Tyto Alba is an equal blend of Touriga Nacional and Tinto Cão, with 50% of the juice aged in well-used French oak for four months. It is dry and comes in at 12% alcohol. Feeling full in the mouth, this has a fair bit of stuffing, but it also finishes with nice, cherry-laced flavors. This is not a bright, high-energy pink, but it may have a little more personality than last year's version (perhaps, due to the Tinto Cão's addition to the blend). The 2015, though, probably wins overall, granting that I don't have them side-by-side. In sum, this is pretty nice in its "I'm almost a red wine" style. It won't give you that refreshing feel that many pinks throw off in warm weather, but it will make a better food pairing than most.