



2014 Tinto Tyto Alba

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Rating: 85

Drink: 2017-2023 Cost: \$21-23

The 2014 Tinto Tyto Alba is a blend of 50% Touriga Nacional, 20% Touriga Franca and 30% Alicante Bouschet, aged for 12 months in a well-used 60/40 mixture of French and American oak. It comes in at 14% alcohol. Soft and easy, without a lot of concentration, this is a straightforward red lacking a bit in structure as well as depth. There just isn't much energy or focus this year. It seems well off of the 2013's performance, which is not entirely surprising in this very tough vintage. It should still make a nice house pour if you find it at a good price. It is already drinking pretty well. It will drink best in the short to midterm, and it will not reward extended aging.