



## 2017 Andreza Reserva

Review by Mark Squires

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Rating: 87

Drink: 2020 - 2026

Cost: \$16 - 18

The 2017 Reserva Andreza has 40% Touriga Franca, with Touriga Nacional, Tinto Cão and Tinta Roriz equally dividing the rest of the blend, as is typical. It comes in at 13.5% alcohol. It was aged in a 70/30 mixture of used French oak and stainless steel for 10 months. Fresh and easy, this is better balanced, perhaps, than the winery's regular Tinto this issue, but it lacks that wine's solidity and upfront fruit. Unless you really have to have the oak, there isn't a lot of reason to trade up. The oak changes the texture, to be sure, but this does control the wood very well. It's hardly an oak bomb. Overall, both wines show well, but the regular Tinto is a better value.