



2018 Andreza Reserva Red DOC Douro

Review by Mark Squires

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Rating: 90

Drink: 2021 - 2030

Cost:\$16-18

The 2018 Reserva Andreza is a blend of 40% Touriga Franca, 30% Touriga Nacional, mixture of used French oak and stainless steel for 10 months. It comes in at 13.9% 25% Sousão and a dollop of Tinta Roriz for the rest of the blend, all aged in a 70/30 alcohol. Pure, focused and precise, this is a tightly wound Reserva that emphasizes freshness as well as good fruit, but always in a dry and very understated fashion. It is textured as well as moderately gripping on the nish. This is a lovely offering in this vintage. Given the reasonable price point, it is a pretty nice choice for a house pour or restaurant wine too. The only remaining question is how well it will age. It seems able to hold for a reasonable time, and it may yet improve a bit. It has something to prove, but let's lean up on this for the moment.