



2011 Lua Cheia Em Vinhas Velhas Reserva Andreza
A Proprietary Blend Dry Red Table wine from Douro, Portugal

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Rating: 89
Drink: 2013 - 2020
Cost: \$15-18

The 2011 Reserva Andreza red is a blend of 40% Touriga Nacional, 50% Touriga Franca and 10% Tinta Roriz. Approximately 70% of the wine was aged in second-and third-year French barriques for 10 months; the other 30% was aged in vats. Despite the modest oak treatment, this is a bit too marked by oak at the moment. That said, it is just lovely, caressing, flavorful and beautifully balanced with ripe tannins, an elegant mid-palate and a lively feel. The oak moderated considerably with an hour of air. It is well-priced, too, a nice cherry on top. It should be approachable young, and may improve a little with a short time (a year?) in the cellar, but it won't age well for all that long, so don't hesitate to dive in. Drink now-2020.