



2013 Lua Cheia Em Vinhas Velhas Touriga Nacional / Touriga Franca "Andreza"

A Proprietary Blend Dry Red Table wine from Douro, Portugal

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Rating: 85

Drink: 2015-2020

Cost: \$20

The 2013 Touriga Nacional / Touriga Franca "Andreza," a 50-50 blend, is the debut release of this wine, not as yet imported. Approximately 1/3rd of the juice was aged for 12 months in used French oak. It comes in at 13.5% alcohol. Pleasing and laid back, this has nice aromatics, but its very modest concentration does not keep pace. It is pretty much ready to pop 'n' pour--just give it a few months to settle down if possible, or a little aeration. It may last longer than I suspect, but it is also the type of wine that may not hold so well in peak form. So, dive in.