



## **2013 Lua Cheia Em Vinhas Velhas Branco Grande Reserva Andreza**

A Proprietary Blend Dry White Table wine from Douro, Portugal

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Rating: 90

Drink: 2016 - 2020

Cost: \$26

The 2013 Branco Grande Reserva Andreza is blend of 30% Viosinho, 30% Verdelho, 10% Rabigato and 30% Arinto, aged for eight months in well-used French oak (five and six-year-old barrels). This opens smelling of some old wood, but the fresh feel underneath and the fine balance eventually make this rather lively, penetrating and quite impressive. It handles its wood beautifully and it finishes with some pop. It is a lovely performance. True, if you prefer them unoaked, you can save a ton of money with Lua Cheia's bargain level this issue. This will not drink as well on its own on the porch. However, it will hold up better to food and it should age better.