



### **2013 Lua Cheia Em Vinhas Velhas Reserva Album**

A Proprietary Blend Dry Red Table wine from Alentejano, Portugal

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Rating: 88

Drink: 2015-2024

Cost: \$15-18

The 2013 Reserva Album is a blend of Petit Verdot 40%, Alicante Bouschet 30%, Syrah 20% and Aragonez 10%; aged in new French oak barrels for 10 months. This relatively new bottling seems to be rounding into form. Like most things Lua Cheia makes, the price is very much right, too. For this level, the structure is impressive and the mid-palate shows reasonable concentration, although it does thin a bit with some aeration. Given the grape blend, it is not surprising that it finishes with a complex medley of flavors, strong beefy nuances, some herbs and a little smoke on the nose. It is a bit funky, mostly in a good way leading to the complex. It is pretty fine for the price.