



**2007 Companhia das Lezírias Reserva DOC Do Tejo Red**  
AProprietary Blend Dry Red Table wine from Tejo, Portugal

Review by Mark Squires  
*eRobertParker.com* # 198 (Dec 2011)  
Rating: 89  
Drink: 2011 - 2019  
Cost: \$100

The 2007 Reserva is pretty nice, although its price point is going to make it a hard sell. It is a blend of 60% Touriga Nacional and 40% Cabernet Sauvignon, aged for 10 months in French oak. Sexy, seductive and quite charming, from a vineyard surrounded by eucalyptus, it shows moderately firm tannins on the finish and a caressing texture, along with bursts of flavor. It is beautifully balanced. I was not impressed with this at all the first time I tasted it (in Portugal), but retasting in the USA with about 90 minutes of aeration dramatically improved this wine, giving it some character and focus. Ignoring the more impressive price point – you'll have to decide that for yourself; bargain hunters will note that the winery's regular Tinto reviewed this issue is pretty good for a lot less--it is awfully charming with some potential to age and I wound up liking it more than I originally thought I would. It is not at peak yet and probably will not be for another year or two. Drink now-2019. Importers: Wine Without Borders, Durham, N.C.; tel. (919) 260-4438; Iberia Wines & Spirits, East Hartford, CT; tel. (860) 291-8988