



2010 Lua Cheia em Vinhas Velhas, Doc Douro white
A Proprietary Blend Dry White Table wine from Douro, Portugal

Review by Mark Squires
eRobertParker.com # 198 (Dec 2011)
Rating: 87
Drink 2011 - 2013
Cost: \$13-\$15

The 2010 Branco is the entry level white, an old vines blend in which the principal grapes are Codega do Larinho and Rabigato, 75% aged in stainless steel with the rest oak aged. Clean, crisp and rather tasty, with a hint of grass and lemon, it has a reasonable amount of body and substance for the nice price range and an attractive finish with some grip and persistence. Although, as it airs out, it seems to lack a little in concentration and thins a bit fast, it is fresh, friendly and has nice purity of fruit, seemingly unadorned and transparent. Consider it at peak now and I doubt it will hold at peak all that long. It will be best when young, although it should be pleasing for a couple of years. Drink now-2013. This is in the Wines and Winemakers by Saven stable. Note: The producer was formerly listed as Aguia de Moura, where the wines are made, with Lua Cheia em Vinhas Velhas just as the brand name. I-m advised that was because, when the bottling first launched, the paperwork had not been finalized on the creation of the Lua Cheia corporate entity. The Andreza line represents the upper level brand. This is part of the Wines and Winemakers series by Saven. There is no importer at this time.