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PORTO & DOURO

Ramos Pinto was founded in 1880 and, for several decades, its history has been marked by a balance between innovation and respect for tradition. The House is known for producing and selecting the best grapes, its knowledge of terroir and for pioneering the launch of New Douro wines all over the world.

Today, Ramos Pinto retains its position as a traditional House producing top quality wines. In the quest for excellence, Ramos Pinto is independently run to this day, which enables the House to conduct continuous technical and technological research.

The House owns four estates in the Douro: Quinta do Bom Retiro and Quinta da Urtiga, in the heart of the region, as well as Quinta dos Bons Ares and Quinta de Ervamoira in the Douro Superior.

Committed to improving its bond with nature and the environment, Ramos Pinto is working towards this achievement by implementing organic farming and increasing biodiversity in the vineyard. This is a legacy which the House is proud to leave to future generations.

Welcome to the Ramos Pinto Wine World!





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WINE SENSING

The Wine Sensing project is the natural result of our passion for the Douro. Here at Ramos Pinto, unique moments and events come together and can be experienced in many ways: during a visit or stay at our estates, by tasting our wines or simply contemplating our collection of Belle Époque posters displayed at the Adriano Ramos Pinto Museum. This concept brings together everything we do and is the result of the traditional wine culture in this unique World Heritage site.

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PIONEERISM

OWN PRODUCTION The House of Ramos Pinto soon adopted its own production policy, thus having the highest rate of self-sufficiency amongst Port wine shippers.

RESEARCH José Antonio Rosas and João Nicolau de Almeida led the first technical study on the Douro grape varieties, culminating in the selection of the best and most well adapted red and white varieties, for the production of both Port and Douro wines. They studied and developed the method of vertical plantation in the Region - Ervamoira was the first Douro estate entirely with vertical planting and varietal separation. Ramos Pinto also conducted a study on irrigation in the Douro Superior region, enabling the rational irrigation of the vineyards, in this subregion of extreme climate.

DOURO STILL WINES Casa Ramos Pinto was one of the first to produce and export Douro still wines, thus creating the renowned brand of DOC Douro - the Duas Quintas wine.





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FAMILY MANAGEMENT Although being owned by Champagne House Louis Roederer since 1990, the House of Ramos Pinto continues to be managed by one of the descendants of the founder's family – Jorge Rosas.

CULTURE & HERITAGE The House of Ramos Pinto has a vast collection of advertising posters and memorabilia from the end of the 19th century and the beginning of the 20th century, which can be visited in the Adriano Ramos Pinto Museum, in Vila Nova de Gaia.

A local museum was created in Quinta de Ervamoira, located in the Côa Valley, and classified by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site. Providing information on the region as well as on the famous Palaeolithic engravings that ultimately saved this estate from its partial disappearance.





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The House of Ramos Pinto currently has four estates in Douro – Quinta do Bom Retiro, Quinta da Urtiga, Quinta de Ervamoira and Quinta dos Bons Ares - in a total of 350 ha.

QUINTA DO BOM RETIRO was bought in 1919 by the founder of the company, Adriano Ramos Pinto. This Quinta is more than 100 years old and it's located in the sub-region of Cima Corgo, near Pinhão, in the Douro and it is washed by the waters of the river Torto. It covers a total surface area of 110 ha, which vary between an altitude of 110 and 400 metres. 62 ha of this Quinta is planted to vines with an average age of 40 years. We have planted only local grape varieties. This Quinta has been used as experimental field to study the best plantation technique suited to the terroir of the Douro. Vineyards have been planted in the traditional terraces and in patamares, but we also have used vertical planting ("vinha ao alto"). The grapes from Quinta do Bom Retiro produce elegant and complex wines with great ageing potential.

Bought in 1933, **QUINTA DA URTIGA**, as Quinta do Bom Retiro, is located in the sub-region of Cima Corgo, near the village of Pinhão in the Douro. Like all the others, these vineyards were classified as UNESCO World Heritage Site, in 2001. Covering a total surface area of 4 ha, with altitudes varying between 290 and 324 metres, 3,5 ha of these are planted with vines with an average age of 90 years old. The pre-phyloxera terraces have been planted with around 30 different local grape varieties which are all blended together. The soil at Quinta da Urtiga is primarily schist and it's a very steep vineyard, characteristic of the region. The grapes from this Quinta produce classic and ageless wines.





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QUINTA DE ERVAMOIRA is located in the Douro, sub-region of Douro Superior and covers a total surface area of 234 hectares, with altitudes which vary between 110 and 340 metres. In Ervamoira the vertical form of planting has been exclusively used (vineyards laid out without terraces) and local grape varieties - such as Rabigato, Viosinho, Folgazão for the whites and Touriga Nacional, Touriga Franca, Tinta Barroca and Tinta Barca for reds - are planted in their own plots. The soils at Quinta de Ervamoira are part of the Ante-Ordovician greywacke and schist complex. In this homogenous geological context Quinta de Ervamoira draws its originality from the diversity of exposures provided by the amphitheatre in which it is located.

The Mediterranean/Continental climate tends to bring cold winters and very hot and dry summers, with an average annual rainfall of 300 mm.

The wines produced here are full bodied and very concentrated.

QUINTA DOS BONS ARES is also located in the Douro Superior sub-region. With an altitude of 600 metres, the vineyards are situated along a gentle slope of the hill. It has a total surface area of 50 ha and is planted with different grape varieties.

Quinta dos Bons Ares is located in the Douro region in one of the rare granite outcrops.

The soils are granitic, with a sandy loam texture, of which nearly 80 % is sand. They lack structure, are poor in organic materials and higher in acidity than is usual in the region. With low water retaining capacity, the water table is very close to the surface. Here, the altitude provides cooler temperatures during the year and also a higher annual rainfall, around 500 mm per year.

The wines produced here are fresh, aromatic and with a very well balanced acidity.





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PORT WINE

Ramos Pinto Port Wines are produced in the vinification centre of Quinta do Bom Retiro.

In the case of Vintage and LBV, the grapes are trodden in the traditional lagar allowing for the juice of the fruit to be extracted in a more efficient and less violent way. After having concluded the first steps of vinification, the wines are transported to the historical wine cellars at Vila Nova de Gaia, where they undergo a long ageing process.

Making a Tawny is an art that is reinvented year after a year through a ritual established for a long time and generations. Multiple decisions influence the style of a tawny, beginning with the selection of the initial Port that is set aside to age, the size and type of wood used for the cask, location of the Port lodges, frequency and method of racking and the blending method. Ramos Pinto style results from these decisions taken by Ana Rosas, Master Blender of the House, her blending team and by the origins of the Ports.

All this attests and ensures the outstanding quality of Ramos Pinto Ports.





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DOURO WINE

In 1990, the integration of the House into the Roederer Group finally made possible a project that had begun with the viticultural research of 1976: the creation of the Ramos Pinto red and white still wines. This was a long adventure that offers you today some of the most well-known Douro wines.

DUAS QUINTAS CLASSIC Quinta de Ervamoira is located in low altitude schist soils, where grapes are grown in a warm and dry climate, thus allowing deep maturation.

In a granitic terrain at a higher altitude lies the Quinta dos Bons Ares. Here, grapes ripen in a cool and airy climate, which contributes to its fruit aroma, freshness and liveliness. Through a careful tasting, the “Duas Quintas” wines are merged into a single wine: fruity, powerful and complex.

DUAS QUINTAS RESERVA Born from a meticulous selection of the best grapes harvested from Quinta de Ervamoira and Quinta dos Bons Ares. The winemaking process is done vineyard by vineyard, variety by variety. The Duas Quintas Reserve captures the essence of the Douro and its potential to produce outstanding wines.

