

LUIS PATO

(BAIRRADA, CURIA, BEIRAS REGION, CENTRAL PORTUGAL)

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Luis Pato wines are the result of the association of two traditional families from Bairrada, the Pato family and the Melo Campos family. At the Quinta do Ribeirinho (Ribeirinho Estate) the documents reveal a wine production since the 18th Century. Its activity of wine bottling began in the 1970s.

Affectionately known as the 'King of Bairrada', Luis Pato is the man who has done most to put this region on the modern winemaking map. He is one of Portugal's most controversial winemakers and is a serious player with 65 hectares in production. From 2006 his vineyards are devoted entirely to Portuguese varieties; all international varieties having uprooted. Pato's passion is the Baga grape, and he says his chalky clay soils are perfect for it. Other varieties like Touriga Nacional are grown on sandy soils, in a meticulously planned estate.

Vinha Pan 2018

CSPC# 789263

750mlx6

13.0% alc./vol.

Grape Variety	100% Baga
Winemaker	Luis Pato
Vineyards	Luis Pato Vinha Pan comes from old vines planted in clay and limestone soils, in the town of Panasqueira (Castelo Branco). This is a south-facing slope cultivated using environmentally friendly agriculture with the harvest carried out manually at the optimal point of ripeness.
Fermentation/ Maturation	When the Luis Pato Vinha Pan grapes are harvested, they undergo hyperoxygenation as an alternative to adding sulphates. The wine then ferments at a controlled temperature and finally ages in 500-litre oak barrels. Before it is bottled, the wine is clarified and filtered.
Tasting Notes	Youthful and fresh, with firm tannins and refreshing acidity, blackcurrants and some tobacco, leather, minerals, and long-queching and fresh finish, Fixed and harsh tannins today, but with great balance and a long, delicious aftertaste.
Serve with	To be dished up with duck, wild boar, and red meats. It should be served at a temperature of 16°C to 18°C.
Cellaring	A Burgundian style wine with good acidity. Made with this winery's star variety, Luis Pato Vinha Pan is a 100% Baga red wine that is pleasant, fruity, and juicy, and will develop well in the bottle for over 15 years.
Drink	2021-2037
Scores/Awards	92 points - Mark Squires, eRobertParker.com - July 2022
Reviews	<i>"The 2018 Vinha Pan is a Baga aged for 24 months in 50% new French oak. It comes in at 13% alcohol. This shows the class of this bottling compared to the more value-oriented Vinhas Velhas. More complex, deeper and more mouth coating. It grips the palate beautifully, filled with fruit and supported by fine structure. It's where, in a difficult year, Pato pulled out the stops to make a fine upper-level Baga. He did this by reducing the bunches by 30% (some of those went into the Espumante Vinha Pan). It should age well, and it is filled with potential, especially promising just now. It is also relatively approachable now, not that I'd recommend that. It will become much more interesting in a few years."</i> - MS, eRobertParker.com

