

LUIS PATO

(BAIRRADA, CURIA, BEIRAS REGION, CENTRAL PORTUGAL)

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WINEGROWER

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. Luis now shares winemaking duties with his daughter, Filipa.

Quinta do Ribeirinho Branco 2022

CSPC# 139878

750mlx6

12.5% alc./vol.

Grape Variety

100% *Sercialinho*.

Winemaker

Luis Pato

Sustainability

Biodynamic

About

Luis Pato, a prominent figure in Portuguese winemaking from the Bairrada region, is celebrated for his ability to combine traditional techniques with innovative practices. As the region's first bottler, he embodies a non-conformist spirit, pushing boundaries to create exceptional wines.

His latest release, Quinta Do Ribeirinho Sercialinho, exemplifies this philosophy. This wine reflects Pato's commitment to excellence and his mastery of creating wines that harmoniously blend the technical precision typical of New World wines with the time-honoured practices of the Old World. With each bottle, Pato continues to elevate the reputation of Bairrada wines, offering connoisseurs a unique tasting experience rooted in both heritage and modernity.

Vineyards

Quinta do Ribeirinho Vinho Branco is a white wine from Luis Pato, produced on the family estate in Bairrada, a Portuguese region known for its limestone-clay soils and strong Atlantic influence. The wine is typically based on indigenous white varieties such as Bical and Cercial, two grapes Pato uses to express freshness and the mineral profile of the terroir.

Harvest

The grapes are hand-harvested from old plots on the Quinta do Ribeirinho estate, considered the most valuable part of the property due to their low yields and high aromatic intensity.

Vinification/ Maturation

Fermentation takes place in stainless-steel tanks to preserve purity and precision of aromas, while a portion of the wine may briefly age on fine lees to gain additional structure and depth. Aging for 6 months in a 500l barrel.

Tasting Notes

On the nose, it shows ripe stone fruit and citrus notes, supported by a mineral undertone reminiscent of wet stone and Atlantic freshness. The palate is dry, lively and focused, with bright acidity and a refined body that balances fruit and minerality.

The finish is clean, linear and long, with a delicate almond note that lingers. It pairs beautifully with shellfish, grilled fish, light cheeses or Mediterranean salads. This wine demonstrates that Bairrada is not only the land of great red Baga wines, but also a source of mineral-driven, vibrant and highly gastronomic whites.

Serve with

Perfect with fish in the oven or white meat dishes. Storage in horizontal position at a temperature of 15°C. Serving at a temperature from 10-12°C.



Cellaring 10+ years

Scores/Awards **92 points** - Yohan Castaing, Wine Advocate - May 2025

93 points - James Suckling - November 2025

94 points - Jamie Goode, Wineanorak.com - August 2024

93 points - Revista de Vinhos - May 2025

89 points - Vinum Wine Magazine - May 2025

Reviews *"The nose shows jasmine, citrus, grapefruit and apples. It is medium- to full-bodied with nervy, vibrant acidity that drives this pure sercialinho. Fresh and approachable with depth. Drink now or hold."*
- JS, JamesSuckling.com

"Lively, with bright acidity. Stony and fine with lovely lemony fruit. Such precision here. 94/100"
- JG, wineanorak.com

"Very good volume in the mouth, mineral and great delicacy of ripe fruit."
- Revista de Vinhos
