

## Grape

Bual is grown predominantly on the southern coast of the island, where it is sunnier and warmer as it does not perform well on the cooler and damper north side. The best wines come from small plots (poios) to the west of Funchal, in Campanário, Calheta, Arco de Calheta and Ponta do Pargo, located at altitudes ranging between 100m and 300m above sea-level. This varietal is quite vigorous and relatively easy to grow and produces large bunches that ripen early. The varietal produces medium bodied, light copper-coloured, medium sweet wines that are intensively perfumed, rich in spice and dried fruit. Some special lots have the ability to age in barrel for a remarkably long time.

## Ageing

Cossart Gordon's Vintage Bual 1989 is a single harvest Madeira. This wine was aged for 29 years in seasoned American oak casks in the traditional 'Canteiro' system, whereby the casks were gradually transferred from the top floors of the lodge, where it is naturally warmer, to the middle floors and eventually to the ground floor where it is cooler. The wine was regularly racked and when it reached the desired stage of maturity it was bottled.



## Tasting Notes

*A Classic Cossart Gordon Vintage. Ambar color with golden highlights. Characteristic with notes of spices, old brandy, zesty tropical fruits and walnuts. On the mouth is rich, fresh with complex long length and a perfect balanced by a very fine acidity*

## Awards

Wine Enthusiast's - Editor Choice - 96 Points  
 Wine&Spirits - 93 Points

### General information

Grape Variety: Bual  
 Category: Vintage/Frasqueira  
 Ageing: Canteiro  
 Cask: American oak  
 Style: Medium Rich  
 Harvest Year: 1989  
 Bottled: 2018  
 Winemaker: Francisco Albuquerque

### Specifications

Alcohol by Volume: 21%  
 Volatile Acidity: 1,35 g/l  
 Total Acidity: 9.60 g/l (tartaric acid)  
 Residual Sugar: 89 g/l  
 Volumetric Mass: 1017 g/l  
 Production:

37,5 cl	75 cl	150 cl	300 cl	18 L
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