

REAL COMPANHIA VELHA

EVEL TINTO



<i>Wine</i>	Evel
<i>Varieties</i>	Touriga Nacional, Touriga Franca & Tinta Roriz
<i>Vintage</i>	2014
<i>Appellation</i>	DOC Douro
<i>Country</i>	Portugal
<i>Production</i>	320.000 bottles (750ml)

Store bottles on their sides in a cool place (16°C to 18°C) away from direct light. Serve at 18°C. Enjoy this superb wine, made from our excellent vines, ready to drink, yet with potential to age for 2 to 3 years after bottling: Ideal accompaniment to meats, pastas and cheeses.

Background Information

On a classic quality basis in the Real Companhia Velha's range of wines, for many years Evel has earned a solid reputation. Its wines are produced in the famous vineyards the company owns in Alijó, Vale do Tua and S. João da Pesqueira areas.

Those vineyards produce the finest red grapes in the region whose blends provide the distinctive flavour and character of Evel.

The Year 2014

2014 was characterized by both the high levels of precipitation, mostly during the months of January, February, July and September, and a significant climatic instability during the summer period with thunderstorms occurring in the months of June and July. As a consequence of the climatic conditions, grape maturation tests were showing a two week advance in the plants' phenology, with grapes revealing good levels of sugar and acidity. Rainfall registered in mid September caused a delay in the harvest up to mid October. Although faced by difficult conditions during the harvest period, the grapes showed well and this ended up being a good year. The wines are not the most concentrated the Douro has seen, nevertheless they reveal themselves very fresh and elegant.

Winemaking & Ageing

Fermentation and maceration take place in stainless steel tanks at a controlled temperature. The wine ages in oak vats for the period of 8 months in excellent natural ageing conditions.

Technical Information

Alc./Vol.:	13.5%
Acidez Total:	5.2 g/l
PH:	3.56

Tasting Notes

A young and bright wine with a profound red ruby colour and violet tints. Intense aromas of mature red berries and green tobacco, harmoniously integrated with vanilla, result of its ageing in oak. Medium-bodied, soft tannins and subtle oak, make this wine round, pleasant, well-structured and very persistent in its finish.