



# CORTES DE CIMA

FAMILY VINEYARDS ALENTEJO, PORTUGAL

## Chaminé Branco 2014

Cortes de Cima  
Vinho Regional Alentejano

<b>Varieties:</b>	37% Verdelho, 30% Sauvignon Blanc, 18% Antão Vaz, 15% Viognier
<b>Total Acids:</b>	5.0
<b>Final pH:</b>	3.27
<b>Residual Sugars:</b>	2.3
<b>Alcohol:</b>	13%

Bottled on the family estate in January 2015  
No barrel ageing

### Awards

🏆 **Bronze Medal** – International Wine Challenge 2015

### Ratings

**87 - Robert Parker**

### Reviews

**"Quite the charmer.** It isn't the most powerful or concentrated white, **but in its youth it has fine persistence and flavor and an invigorating feel to it.** There's a bit of tension on the finish, too. A bit green, **this herbaceous white is going to be a nice,** summer refresher this year. I like the direction this bottling is taking of late. **It is also very well priced.** It is worth leaning up on this just now. Just drink it young, however long it theoretically holds. **Being fresh is part of its appeal."** - Mark Squires eRobertParker.com

### Harvest 2014

Winter rainfall was plentiful, followed by an excellent summer growing season, mild for Alentejan standards. An early harvest with a rapid end, due to the early arrival of September rains.

### Vinification

A blend of local and international varieties from our cool Alentejan Atlantic coastal vineyards (Verdelho, Sauvignon Blanc) and interior (Antão Vaz, Viognier). Harvested during the cool hours of the early morning, the grapes were destemmed and pressed, followed by settling at low temperatures for 24 hours. Fermented at controlled temperatures in tanks for 15 days and matured on fine lees, with regular stirring. Fined, filtered and bottled to maintain its clean, crisp flavours.

### Our Winemaker's comments

Exotic fruit aromas and a nice balancing acidity.

### Track Record

2013 Vintage - 86 – Robert Parker  
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2012 Vintage - 85 – Wine Enthusiast  
2012 Vintage - Silver Medal – Concours Mondial de Bruxelles 2013  
2012 Vintage - Bronze Medal – Intl Wine & Spirit Competition 2013  
2012 Vintage - Commended – International Wine Challenge 2013  
2011 Vintage - 86 – Robert Parker  
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2010 Vintage - 87 – Wine Spectator  
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2010 Vintage - 85 – Robert Parker  
2010 Vintage - Silver Medal - IWC London 2011  
2010 Vintage - Gran Menzione - Vinitaly - Itália 2011  
2009 Vintage – 88 – i-winereview  
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