# WINE DESCRIPTION GRAHAM'S 10 YEARS OLD TAWNY



# **GRAHAM'S**

Graham's wines come primarily from its own Quinta dos Malvedos, Quinta do Tua and Quinta das Lages in the Rio Torto. Two others, privately owned by a member of the Symington family, Quinta da Vila Velha and Quinta do Vale de Malhadas, also supply Graham with finest quality grapes. All five Quintas are among the best in the upper Douro valley. Graham's also buys grapes from selected farmers in the finest districts. Some of these farmers have been selling their grapes to Graham's for generations.

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Graham's 10 Years Old is made from wines of the very highest quality which, following careful selection, are matured in seasoned oak casks of 534 litres until their peak of maturity is reached. These are among the most demanding and challenging styles of Port to produce requiring great skill and years of experience from the winemaker and blender. It is essential to strike the correct balance between the delicacy and elegance which results from prolonged cask ageing while retaining the fruit quality which lends this old Tawny its structure and longevity.



#### **Tasting Notes**

Fine deep tawny colour, with complex nutty aromas combined with hints of honey and figs. On the palate, rich mature fruit flavours, beautifully mellowed and a luscious long finish.

# Food pairing suggestion and serving

Graham's 10 Years Old Tawny is a perfect match to sweet pastries, such as apple pie with cinnamon. Taste slightly chilled to appreciate the full complexity and sensuous pleasure of this wine. An excellent alternative to Vintage Port at less formal occasions. Will keep for some weeks after opening.

## Wine Specifications

Alcohol: 20% vol (20ºC) Total acidity: 4.15 g/l tartaric acid

Baumé: 3.6

## **Reviews & Awards**

SILVER MEDAL

International Wine Challenge 2008

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"Pale green tinge. Looks old. Subtle, complex aroma of marzipan, walnut, dried fruit. More assured on the nose. Lovely sweet palate enforced with exceptional balance and flavour. Effortless and very good for a good 10 Year Old."

#### 92 out of 100 Points

"This is rich on the nose, with candied fruit, fruitcake, toffee and maple syrup. Full-bodied and medium sweet, with a brilliant aftertaste of fruit and caramel. Lasts for minutes on your palate. I have always loved this tawny." James Suckling, Wine Spectator, September 2003

"Graham's 10-year old tawny is a beauty, with magnificent aromas of roasted nuts, spice and caramel. The toffee and caramel flavours are very rich and complex. The finish is sweet but with ample acidity for a delicious treat for the taste buds".

Bruce May, Post Gazette, 29th January 2004

Peter Symington, responsible with his son Charles for the vineyards and wine making, has been made 'Fortified Wine Maker of the Year' an extraordinary 6 times by the 'Wine Challenge'. Nobody else has won this important award more than once. In 2003, his son Charles won the same award.