

# **MADEIRA**

"I know no wine of its class that can beat Madeira when at its best... In fact, I think Madeira and Burgundy carry combined intensity and complexity of vinous delights further than any other wines."

- George Saintsbury, Notes on a Cellarbook.

fter more than a century in unconscionable obscurity, Madeira is back. Once America's most celebrated wine, Madeira went out of style after the War Between the States—the victim of both fashion and phylloxera. But what goes around, comes around: Madeira has been rediscovered by a new generation of wine lovers. For more than 200 years—from the early colonial period until the Victorian era—Madeira was easily the most revered wine in America. They learned that Madeira is virtually immune to oxygen and that even old examples can be kept for months once opened. And they learned that Madeira is capable of improving

for at least a century, and thriving for a century more. In addition to Barbeito and D'Oliveira, a few family cellars in Madeira still have old wines, either in bottle, demijohn or cask. They have been fortunate to tap into some of these sources as well, securing some extraordinary and irreplaceable wines. These families are also invaluable blending wine sources for The Rare Wine Co.'s "vintage character" Historic Series of wines.



## Principle Grapes of Madeira



#### **SERCIAL**

Crisp and racy, its slight sweetness balanced by a, mouthwatering tang of acidity.

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S A V A N N A H V E R D E L H O SPECIAL RESERVE

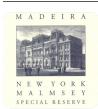
#### **VERDELHO**

Elegance with power: the taste is quite sweet, but the finish is dry.



#### **BOAL**

Boals offer the best combination of richness and elegance.



#### MALVASIA

The sweetest and richest of Madeiras. For centuries, Malvasia has been revered and hard to come by.

## **BARBEITO**

Ricardo Freitas is the third generation at Barbeito - following in the tradition of collecting old wines but also making his own wines. He works closely with his growers dialing in the harvest early for fresher fruit while still paying the top sugar level prices.

ITEM CODE	DESCRIPTION	PRICE / BTL	DISCOUNTS	SCORES
MBA096	1981 RIBEIRO REAL VERDELHO (12/750)	195		
MBA088	RIBEIRO REAL 20 YEAR SERCIAL NV (6/750)	160	150/6B	
MBA093	RIBEIRO REAL 20 YEAR TINTA NEGRA NV (6/75	50) 160	150/6B	
MBA091	RIBEIRO REAL 20 YEAR VERDEHLO NV (6/750	) 160	150/6B	
MBA100	20 YEAR MALVASIA (12/750)	85		
MBA103	BASTARDO DUAS PIPAS (6/500)	55		
MBA099	2003 TINTA NEGRA [CASK 327 A&D] MEDIUM SWEET (6/500)	55	45/6B	
MBA098	2004 MALVASIA [CASK 132 A&D] (6/500)	55	45/6B	
MBA101	2005 MALVASIA SINGLE CASK 83 (6/500)	55		
MBA102	2008 SINGLE HARVEST MEDIUM DRY (6/500)	40		



## D'OLIVEIRA

D'Oliveira possess the largest collection of cask aged old vintage Madeiras on the island. All of their Madeiras are bottled to order with the bottling date listed on the back label. They believe strongly in long cask aged wines.

ITEM CODE	DESCRIPTION	PRICE / BTL	DISCOUNTS	SCORES
MDL042	5 YEAR OLD MEDIUM DRY (12/750)	30	25 / 6B, 20 / 12B	
MDL066	5 YEAR OLD SWEET NV (12/750)	30	25 / 6B, 20 / 12B	
MDL054	1901 MALVASIA (12/750)	1,115		
MDL014	1907 MALVASIA (12/750)	825		97 NM, 96 JG
MDL012	1908 BOAL (12/750)	950		94 VM
MDL003	1912 VERDELHO (12/750)	740		
MDL022	1927 BASTARDO (12/750)	820		93+ JG
MDL058	1928 SERCIAL (12/750)	560		94 VM
MDL061	1929 TINTA NEGRA MEDIUM SWEET (12/750)	515		
MDL035	1932 VERDELHO (12/750)	500		
MDL001	1937 SERCIAL (12/750)	430		96 JG, 93 WS
MDL005	1968 BOAL (12/750)	310		94 JG, 96 WS
MDL024	1969 SERCIAL (12/750)	220		
MDL036	1971 TERRANTEZ (12/750)	260		
MDL025	1973 VERDELHO (12/750)	210		
MDL023	1977 BOAL (12/750)	195		
MDL048	1977 SERCIAL (12/750)	185		
MDL004	1977 TERRANTEZ (12/750)	220		
MDL067	1978 TERRANTEZ (12/750)	220		
MDL033	1981 VERDELHO (12/750)	175		
MDL063	1982 BOAL (12/750)	175		
MDL053	1984 BOAL (12/750)	155		
MDL038	1986 VERDELHO (12/750)	145		



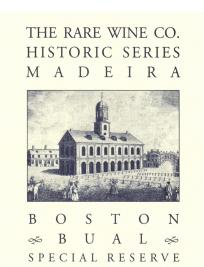
## **D'OLIVEIRA** CONTINUED

ITEM CODE	DESCRIPTION	PRICE / BTL	DISCOUNTS	SCORES
MDL062	1987 BOAL (12/750)	155		
MDL019	1988 TERRANTEZ (12/750)	145		
MDL037	1989 SERCIAL (12/750)	125		
MDL068	1992 BOAL (12/750)	120		
MDL056	1994 MALVASIA (12/750)	115		
MDL057	1994 VERDELHO (12/750)	115		
MDL065	1995 TINTA NEGRA MEDIUM DRY (12/750)	100		

## RARE WINE COMPANY HISTORIC SERIES

These wines are a collaboration project between Ricardo Freitas of Barbeito and Mannie Berk, owner of The Rare Wine Company. All of the wines are blended to express the styles of wine that were drunk during the colonial period in the United States. Each wine is painstakingly researched by both Ricardo and Mannie - both active "historians" of Madeira's wine past. The wines are not vintage dated but they are vintage caliber in quality.

ITEM CODE	DESCRIPTION	PRICE / BTL	DISCOUNTS	SCORES
MRW007	BALTIMORE RAINWATER NV (12/750)	44	39/6B, 34/12B	91 WA
MRW001-C	BOSTON BOAL NV (12/750)	47	42/6B, 37/12B	92 VM
MRW003-C	CHARLESTON SERCIAL NV (12/750)	47	42/6B, 37/12B	92 VM
MRW002-C	NEW YORK MALMSEY NV (12/750)	47	42/6B, 37/12B	92 VM
MRW006	SAVANNAH VERDELHO NV (12/750)	47	42/6B, 37/12B	93 VM



Wine Produced and Bottled by Vinhos Barbeito (Madeira) Lda., Funchal Produce of the Island of Madeira, Portugal