



Royal Palace of Vila Viçosa, Portugal
Birthplace of Catherine of Braganza
1638



Wines

Reception

Vinha Verde 1993 (VINHO VERDE)

PRODUCED BY ANTÓNIO & MANUEL PIRES DA SILVA, QUINTA DO MINHO, PÓVOA DO LANHOSO.

PORTUGAL'S VERDANT NORTHWEST COASTAL REGION IS THE HOME OF THIS CRISP, FRUITY LIGHT WINE. OFTEN CALLED "GREEN WINE" IT IS A REFRESHING, YOUTHFUL WINE PERFECT AS AN APERITIF.

João Pires White 1992 (TERRAS DO SADO)

PRODUCED BY JOSÉ MARIA DA FONSECA INTERNACIONAL "QUINTA DA BASSAGUEIRA" AZEITÃO.

THE MUSCAT OF ALEXANDRIA GRAPE WAS BROUGHT TO PORTUGAL BY THE PHOENICIANS IN 600 BC. THIS INCREDIBLY AROMATIC GRAPE MAKES ONE OF PORTUGAL'S MOST DISTINCTIVE AND DELICIOUS WINES.

First Course

Quinta do Paço do Feijoso 1994 White (VINHO VERDE)

PRODUCED BY MIGUEL CHAMPALIMAUD "QUINTA DO PAÇO", TEIXEIRO-BAIÃO.

MIGUEL CHAMPALIMAUD OWNS PROPERTY THAT OVERLAPS THE VINHO VERDE AND DOURO REGIONS. HIS DOURO PROPERTY YIELDS PORTO WINE AND DOURO-TABLE WINES WHILE HIS VINHO VERDE PROPERTY YIELDS A SUBSTANTIAL WINE MADE FROM THE "AVESSO" GRAPE WHICH HAS A UNIQUE APPLE-LIKE BOUQUET.

Main Course

Quinta da Lagoalva 1992 Red (RIBATEJO) "GOLD MEDAL WINNER"

PRODUCED BY MANUEL HOLSTEIN CAMPILHO "QUINTA DA LAGOALVA DE CIMA", ALPIARÇA.

JUST TO THE NORTHEAST OF LISBON, THE FERTILE RIBATEJO REGION HAS FOR MANY YEARS PRODUCED SOME OF THE FINEST RED WINES OF PORTUGAL. MR. JOAO PORTUGAL RAMOS MAKES THE WINE AT THIS ESTATE USING MOSTLY PERIGUITA GRAPES WITH A DASH OF CABERNET SAUVIGNON, SYRAH AND PINOT NOIR.

Dessert

Anderson Century Porto 10 Years Old

PRODUCED BY J.H. ANDERSEN SONS, LDA., VILA NOVA DE GAIA.

THE ANDERSEN PORTO FIRM WAS FOUNDED MANY YEARS AGO AND IS HIGHLY RESPECTED AROUND THE WORLD. IT WAS FORMERLY OWNED BY THE ANDERSEN FAMILY. THE PRESENT PORTUGUESE AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES IS FROM THIS DISTINGUISHED FAMILY. THE 10-YEAR-TAWNY DISPLAYS THE DELICATE, BUTTY, DRIED-FRUIT CHARACTER TYPICAL OF CLASSICAL CASK-AGED PORTO.



The Friends of Queen Catherine Sixth Annual Gala Benefit October 10, 1995 The Plaza

Menu

Lobster "Royal Charles"

CHILLED POACHED LOBSTER NAMED AFTER HMS ROYAL CHARLES WHICH TOOK QUEEN CATHERINE TO ENGLAND IN 1662 FOR HER WEDDING WITH CHARLES II OF ENGLAND.

Veal "Vila Viçosa"

VEAL IN A MOREL CREAM SAUCE NAMED AFTER THE DUCAL PALACE IN VILA VIÇOSA IN THE BREAD BASKET OF PORTUGAL, THE ALENTEJO REGION, BIRTHPLACE OF QUEEN CATHERINE ON NOVEMBER 25, 1638.

Potatoes of Windsor

FRESH HARVEST POTATOES NAMED AFTER THE TREATY OF WINDSOR, DATING FROM 1386, WHICH FURTHER CEMENTED THE ALLIANCE BETWEEN PORTUGAL AND ENGLAND.

Charles' Merry Medley

A MEDLEY OF REGAL FALL VEGETABLES.

Allegro of "Scaramucia"

FLOUR-LESS CHOCOLATE CAKE WITH A SAUCE OF FRESH RASPBERRIES NAMED AFTER THE FIRST OPERA TO BE PERFORMED IN BRITAIN IN 1674, ONE OF THE MANY CONTRIBUTIONS OF QUEEN CATHERINE TO THE CULTURAL LIFE OF ENGLAND.