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INTRODUCING WINES OF TEJO

DEFINED BY A RIVER. REFINED BY TRADITION.

The Tejo region is located in the very heart of Portugal, a short drive from the capital city of Lisbon. Pulsing with a rich heritage, Tejo claims a bounty of historical treasures scanning the pages of time.

Viticulture has deep roots in Tejo and it is heralded as one of the oldest wine producing regions on the Iberian Peninsula. It is the Tejo River that is credited for shaping the

region's distinct terroir making the surrounding hillsides, plains, and riverbanks an ideal terrain to cultivate Portugal's native grapes.

Wine estates have made their home along the banks of the Tejo River for centuries. Today, this small and emerging region is on the brink of discovery in the US, and with the launch of the new website, www.winesoftejo.com, there is now a platform tailored to a US audience to help in the discovery of all the region and its wines have to offer:

- Detailed [terroir profiles](#) from the Tejo region
- Regional [cultural highlights](#) showcasing the region's rich heritage
- Descriptions and photos of the [native Portuguese grape varieties](#) grown throughout the region
- [Google-enabled map](#) with winery directory
- Winery profiles and downloadable tech sheets
- [Trade and media links](#) to newsletters, reviews, events and press releases

Discover what defines the Tejo wine region today!

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GETTING TO KNOW THE TEJO REGION

Formerly known as Ribatejo, the region is now simply called Tejo, a tribute to the river that has defined its landscape, climate and economy for centuries. The wine region is located in central Portugal, approximately 30 miles north of Lisbon, and is nestled between the Alentejo region to the south and the Lisboa region to the north.

The terroir of the region is deeply defined by the very nature of the Tejo River. Discover how the river's breadth and strength elementally impacts the soil and climate of the region, producing three distinct wine-producing zones: [Bairro, Charneca, and Campo](#).

With a focus on quality and balance, Tejo is experiencing a wine renaissance from vine to

bottle. With a focus on the [indigenous grapes](#) that thrive in the Tejo's warm climate and complex soils, while retaining high natural acidity, the wines of Tejo appeal to the modern-day wine lover by offering a balance between rustic, Old World heritage and a fresh, forward-thinking approach.

The region represents more than 80 wineries, with most being family-owned for generations. See profiles of the [first 19](#) to be available.

Come discover why Roger Voss from Wine Enthusiast is calling Tejo **“Portugal’s next frontier... offering affordable, world-class wines.”**

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FEATURED GRAPE VARIETAL: ARINTO

Springtime or anytime, Arinto is a wine with great appeal, particularly for its freshness and aromatics. Grown throughout Portugal, this grape produces vibrant wines with a crisp minerality and flavors of orchard fruit and citrus. In warmer regions like Tejo, the grape retains its high natural acidity and can work well as a single-varietal wine or in a blend.

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FEATURED WINERIES

[PINHAL DA TORRE](#)



Located in Alpiarça in the heart of the Tejo region of Portugal, Pinhal da Torre is dedicated to the production of high quality wines using the best Portuguese grape varieties. In its winery - a regional icon - using only grapes from its own Quinta de São João and Quinta do Alqueve estates, Pinhal da Torre combines the knowledge and experience of generations dedicated to vineyards and viticulture. The care and passion it devotes to its terroir seeks to showcase the unique expression and identity of its grapes and vineyards. The wide diversity of varieties produces exceptional and unique wines. These world-class wines are recognized for their purity, elegance and personality.

CASAL BRANCO



The Casal Branco estate is located in Almeirim, on the southern bank of the Tejo River, and has been owned by the same family for over two hundred years. Of the estate's 445 hectares, 57 are under vine planted on Miocene sandy soils (Charneca). Most of the grapes planted are native Portuguese varieties including Castelão, Trincadeira, Fernão Pires and Alvarinho. The wines are vinified in the estate's 19th century winery using both the best traditional and modern techniques, such as foot treading in open tanks with temperature control. Casal Branco's commitment to tradition and excellence has resulted in international recognition, contributing to the modern wine renaissance of the Tejo region.

ENOPORT UNITED WINES



Enoport United Wines Group unified some of the oldest and most well known Portuguese wine estates. Among them is Quinta de S. João Batista estate, located in the Bairro area of the Tejo region, it was established at the end of the 19th century and is well represented by the colonial-style manor house located on the estate and the surrounding 97 hectares of vineyards planted with native Portuguese and international varieties. This estate combines the best of traditional viticulture and modern winemaking technology. Cabeça de Toiro, one of Enoport's best known brands, comes from this estate. This wine, with a remarkable and consistent quality, has several awards in both Portuguese and international wine competitions and consistently scores above 90 points in Wine Enthusiast. Enoport United Wines' commitment to winemaking excellence was recognized in 2012 as European Winery of the Year by Mundus Vini.

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WINERIES NOT YET IMPORTED INTO THE U.S.

QUINTA DA RIBEIRINHA



Located in Póvoa de Santarém on the north bank of the Tejo River, Quinta da Ribeirinha has been a family endeavor for over three generations. The 95-hectare estate is located in the heart of the Bairro area of the Tejo region and is comprised of 60 hectares of vineyards planted with native Portuguese and international varieties. The calcareous clay soils, and south-facing vineyards receive the optimal viticultural benefits of the warm continental climate complimented by the influence of the Atlantic Ocean. The Candido family's thoughtful approach to winemaking combines the best of modern and traditional practices focusing on the purest expressions of their terroir and the vintage. The family's dedication to the Tejo region is exemplified in every glass of Quinta da Ribeirinha wine.

QUINTA VALE DE FORNOS



As a wedding gift to Antonia Ferreira in the early 19th century, the estate of Vale de Fornos was established in the southwest area of the Tejo region. The estate spans over 200 hectares, of which 60 hectares are vineyards with soils comprised mainly of clay-limestone as is typical within the Bairro region. Vineyards are planted with a variety of indigenous and international varieties focusing on the best grapes for their unique terroir. With long established roots in the Tejo regions, Quinta Vale de Fornos strives for viticultural and winemaking excellence by combining the best of traditional and modern wine practices.

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RECENT TRADE EVENTS

Wines of Tejo had its first seminars of the year for trade and media in New York City and Boston in May. A gathering of trade and media professionals attended the exclusive,

invite-only seminars in both cities featuring Tejo wines and delicious food pairings.



In New York City, [Aldea](#) hosted the seminar with Michelin-star chef George Mendes offering up his modern take on Portuguese cuisine to pair with the wines from Tejo. Check out [some photos](#) from this inaugural Wines of Tejo event.



In Boston, over 30 trade and media enjoyed 12 Tejo wines with a pairing of delicious Iberian-inspired cuisines prepared by the folks at [Barcelona Wine Bar](#). Head over to Facebook to [check out pics](#) from this sold-out event.

Are you a credentialed trade or media professional in the Chicago or San Francisco area and want to learn more about the wines from Tejo, Portugal? Wines of Tejo will host a pairing luncheon in these cities in September. For more information please contact Allison Slute, trade@winesoftejo.com or 202-499-4264.

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IMMERSION TRIP

HARVEST TRADE IMMERSION TRIP: AUGUST 30 TO SEPTEMBER 3

Wines of Tejo is counting down the days until it hosts a handful of lucky trade and media this coming September. Experience the magic of the Portuguese countryside and become “one of the family” at the Tejo region’s top estates. From day one you will taste through a vast selection of Tejo wines, getting an up-close look at the wine styles, indigenous grape varieties, the nuances of the region’s terroir. The remainder of the trip will offer the unique opportunity to meet one-on-one with the winemakers, visit the estates and explore the vineyards. Of course no trip would be complete without seeing a few cultural highlights along the way – all of which define the Tejo region and its winemaking heritage.

Airfare and in-country expenses will be covered by the hosts. To apply, contact Allison Slute at the Wines of Tejo U.S. Office, trade@winesoftejo.com or 202-499-4264.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST

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