



HOUSE OF TOWNEND

FAMILY WINE MERCHANTS SINCE 1906

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## Fonseca 2017 Vintage Port

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<b>Price</b>	£85.50
<b>Code</b>	FONS100

Fonseca is well renowned for its vintage consistency expression and opulence. The Fonseca 2017 expresses forest fruits and cigar box complexities with great boldness and verve.

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### Tasting Notes:

A narrow magenta ring around a core of inky purple black. The nose opens with a burst of dark, woodland fruit, dense and succulent, blended with fresher, more vibrant red berry aromas. A slatey minerality holds this exuberant fruitiness in check. At this stage, the nose is still reserved and discreetly aromatic, revealing leafy, balsamic scents and cedary notes of sawn wood. The first impression on the palate, as on the nose, is of tightly packed, dense dark berry fruit, which then explodes on the mid-palate and surges into the long finish. The texture is round and velvety but the taut, sinewy tannins and a strand of crisp acidity provide firmness and structure. The layered, complex fruit typical of Fonseca holds sway over this weighty, powerful wine.

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Specification	
ABV	20%
Size	75cl
Drinking Window	Drink from 2037 through to 2067
Country	Portugal
Region	Douro Valley
Type	Fortified Wine
Grape Mix	Touriga Nacional, Touriga Francesca, Tinto Cão, Tinta Roriz and Tinta Barroca
Genres	Fine Wine, Vegan, Vegetarian
Vintage	2017
Style	Sweet
Body	Rich and full flavoured
Producer	Fonseca Guimaraens
Producer Overview	Fonseca Guimaraens, often simply called Fonseca, is one of the largest Port wine houses in Portugal.
Closure Type	Cork
Press Comments	Mark Squires, Wine Advocate, July 2019- 98/100, Richard Mayson, richardmayson.com, May 2019 – 18/20