

## **EULOGIO POMARES ‘la Galaxia’ Tinta Roriz/Jaen Vinho Rosado, DO DÃO, Portugal**

Eulogio is a fan of “having projects”. Many of these started out as whacky side takes of Rías Baixas offerings – ultra-rare red varieties, for example. Here he has stepped out with an old TSA friend, Alvaro Castro in Portugal’s Dão to craft a fantastic premium pink, ideally mixing delicacy, interest and texture.

It’s a 50:50 blend of Tinta Roriz (Portugal’s name for Tempranillo) and Jaen (Mencía). The fruit comes from high granite soils in the ‘Serra de Estrella’ on Portugal’s inland border with Spain (above all those delicious Jamon piglets in Extramadura! Grown around 550m from vineyards up to 65 years old. Handling is a very simple direct press to stainless steel.

*Eulogio likes to call this a pink with the soul of a white!*

*It’s a delicate, luminous light-electric pink colour and has wonderful mineral freshness from the cold mountain soils, layered with pink citrus and white flowers. A lovely fruit profile has tension, freshness, highly satisfying flavour and texture. In a lovely savoury register, not too fruity and bone dry, it’s all pulled together with remarkable elegance.*

