# **BROADBENT** 10 Year Verdelho Madeira





Country

Portugal

Region

Madeira

Varietal Blend

100% Verdelho

Winemakers

Juan Teixeira, Flávia Rosário

**Alcohol Content** 

19%

**Total Sugar** 

54 g/L

**Total Acidity** 

7.49 g/L

## **HISTORY**

Begun in 1996, Broadbent Madeira was inspired by Bartholomew Broadbent's father, Michael Broadbent, who called Madeira his "desert island wine," and who played a crucial role in sourcing the wines and establishing the blends. Bartholomew Broadbent, who spent more than a decade reintroducing Madeira to the U.S. market, was determined to create a line of Madeiras to compete with the best in the world.

## VITICULTURE/VINIFICATION

Several mixtures of soils derived mainly of basalt, trachytes and trachydolerites, tufa, scoria and conglomerates. The geographical position and mountains landscape allows a very pleasing climate. With its mild humidity, the island weather is classified as subtropical with variations in temperature, humidity, and rainfall according to altitude. Verdelho grapes are grown in Seixal, Ponta Delgada, São Vicente and Arco de São Jorge. Harvested manually in several weekly selections starting in early September through 2nd week of October. Grapes are completely destemmed, crushed and pressed. The must obtained then ferments at a controlled temperature in stainless steel tanks. Fermentation is stopped after 6 to 7 days by addition of neutral grape spirit (96°) in order to maintain the desired sweetness degree. Aged in French and American oak cask in the traditional "Canteiro" system. Wine is racked, fined and filtered before bottling.

#### TASTING NOTES

Brilliant amber gold color with apple green rim. Medium dry and full bodied, concentrated and fresh with apricot and mandarin orange. Long lingering aftertatse of exotic fruits.

### **ACCOLADES**



