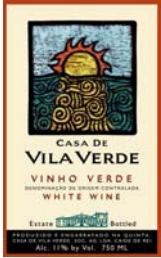




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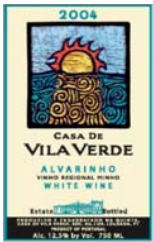
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Casa de Vila Verde Vinho Verde 2007

87 Wine Spectator “Top Values 2008”: Well-concentrated stone fruits, with mineral and spice. 12/15/08

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Casa de Vila Verde Alvarinho 2007

88 Wine Enthusiast: Bright and fresh, a great mouthful of lemongrass spices, lime and tight, young flavors of grapefruit. The acidity suffuses the wine, lifting it, giving the fruit a vivid character. There is a clean, mineral aftertaste. 11/1/08



Marques de Borba White 2007

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85 Wine Spectator: Medium-bodied with plenty of crisp acidity behind the citrus and pippin apple flavors. The fresh finish turns spicy. 10/31/08



Marques de Borba Red 2007

87 Wine Spectator “Top Value 2008”: Spice and dark chocolate, with hints of mocha, linger on the robust finish. 12/15/08

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87 [eRobertParker.com](#): ...Clean and bright, it has good texture and just enough depth to feel substantial...the wine is awfully friendly and tasty. [Wine Advocate](#), #180, 12/08

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Casa de Santar Tinto 2005



88 [eRobertParker.com](#): It is a very nice value, elegant, flavorful and graceful. [Wine Advocate](#), #180, 12/08

89 "Top Values 2008" [Wine Spectator](#): Muscular, with rich raspberry, dark plum and mocha flavors. 12/15/08

Decanter 2008 World Wine Awards (Bronze): Very elegant wine with nice fruity aroma. Well blended with nice oak. Soft. Good, silky structure but quite consistent on the palate. 10/08.

Casa de Santar Reserva 2004



90 [Wine Spectator](#): Powerful, with intense red plum, currant, raspberry and smoke flavors that are accented by notes of underbrush. Medium-grained tannins fill the spicy finish. 10/31/08

Silver, Decanter 2008 World Wine Awards: Great, rich and complex aromas of red and black berries...Great wine, great structure, very well balanced with an excellent oak integration. 11/08.

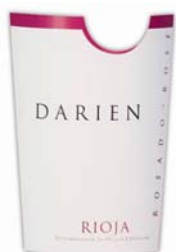
★ ★ [Food & Wine 2009 Wine Guide](#): This wine is wonderfully spicy, with notes of dried sausage. Plum, blackberry and black cherry fruit also shine through.

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87 **“Best Buy of the Year” (Rioja):** Wine & Spirits: Clean flavors of juicy, late-season strawberries and watermelon point up this wine’s gentle sweetness. An informal rose for barbeque. 12/08.



Darien Crianza 2004

89 **“Best Buy of the Year” (Rioja),** Wine & Spirits: Fragrant with cherry and classic Rioja scents of piquillo peppers, this is light and delicious. Substantial, chocolate-ripe tannins back up the clean fruit. A simple, luscious red for lamb chops. 12/08.

★★★★, Decanter 2008 World Wine Award Winner (Bronze): Fruity, cherry and floral notes. Elegant and classic. 10/08.



Darien Reserva 2002

88 Wine Spectator: Black cherry, dark chocolate and leaf flavors are focused in this firm, fresh red...has a polished texture and fine balance. 11/08

Decanter 2008 World Wine Award Winner (Commended), 10/08.



Darien Seleccion 2002

89 Wine Spectator: Plum and dried cherry fruit flavors are backed by spice, mocha and leaf notes in this generous, maturing red, with cedar and tobacco on the finish. 11/08.

Decanter 2008 World Wine Award Winner (Bronze): Ripe cassis, cherry and warm Christmas spice. 10/08.