CASA FERREIRINHA

DECLARATION

2018 IS A BARCA-VELHA YEAR

Press Release, Foz Côa, 25 November 2026 – It is official: Casa Ferreirinha has declared 2018 a Barca-Velha year. Since the creation of this wine in 1952, this is only the 22nd vintage to be awarded this designation, once again confirming the extraordinary rarity of one of the greatest icons of Portuguese wine.

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The decision follows years of monitoring and evaluation by the winemaking team led by Luís Sottomayor. Following Barca-Velha 2015, released in 2024, the declaration of a new vintage marks one of those rare moments when nature, time and uncompromising standards come together.

Commenting on the vintage, Luís de Sottomayor highlights: *"Barca-Velha 2018 displays everything we seek in a wine: seriousness, depth and extraordinary aromatic complexity."*

It was earlier today, during a lunch with the Guedes family, that winemakers Luís Sottomayor and Lourenço Charters announced the decision to declare 2018 a Barca-Velha year. For Fernando da Cunha Guedes, President of Sogrape, the occasion is, above all, a moment of celebration: *"There are some pieces of news that we take particular pleasure in sharing, and this is certainly one of them. Receiving confirmation from the winemaking team that we have a new Barca-Velha is a rare and deeply emotional moment for Casa Ferreirinha. We are delighted to see 2018 join this remarkable story and to now share it with the world of wine."*

Barca-Velha 2018 will be released to the market at the end of the first half of 2027. Until then, the news stands: **2018 is a Barca-Velha year.** According to Luís de Sottomayor, it is*"a sublime wine!"*.