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# DOW'S

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LATE BOTTLED VINTAGE PORT  
2020



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- ◇ Our Late Bottled Vintage Ports (LBV) share the same provenance as our legendary classic Vintage Ports and are made from the best-performing plots of vineyard at Quinta do Bomfim and Quinta da Senhora da Ribeira.
- ◇ Bomfim and Senhora da Ribeira have formed the backbone of Dow's Ports since the late 19th century - each with their own boutique on-site winery with modern treading lagares.
- ◇ Dow's LBVs have a distinctive profile and are characterised by their intensity, structure, and hallmark drier style.
- ◇ Our LBVs are bottled ready to drink, having spent 4-6 years ageing in oak vats.







Quinta do Bomfim



Quinta da Senhora da Ribeira

## DOW'S 2020 LBV: THE YEAR

- ◇ Warmer-than-average temperatures led to early budbreak at Quinta do Bomfim on March 3rd, three weeks ahead of schedule. Flowering began on May 5th, two weeks earlier than normal.
- ◇ At Quinta do Bomfim, every month except April was significantly warmer than the 30-year average. The Douro experienced record-breaking heat, including the hottest July on record, with temperatures 3.5°C above the regional average.
- ◇ Due to the advanced growing cycle, grape harvesting began early, with white grapes picked from August 25th and red grapes from September 1st. Despite the challenges, grape quality was well-maintained.
- ◇ Heatwaves and dry conditions led to substantially reduced yields, with some areas harvesting as little as 400g per vine, highlighting the challenges of farming in the Douro.
- ◇ Low yields produced highly concentrated and structured wines, with standout results from Touriga Nacional and Sousão.



## DOW'S 2020 LBV: THE WINE

- ◇ Enticing aromas of blackcurrant and blackberry with undertones of black chocolate, complemented by secondary notes of Douro wildflower (rock rose), forest elements, pine needles, resin, and eucalyptus.
- ◇ Typical Dow peppery tannins combine with a schist, earthy character, balanced by a mineral-like freshness on the palate.
- ◇ Fuller and more generous fruit profile than usual for Dow, reflecting the hotter conditions of the year.
- ◇ Grape varieties: Touriga Franca, Touriga Nacional, Sousão, Tinta Barroca, Tinta Roriz.

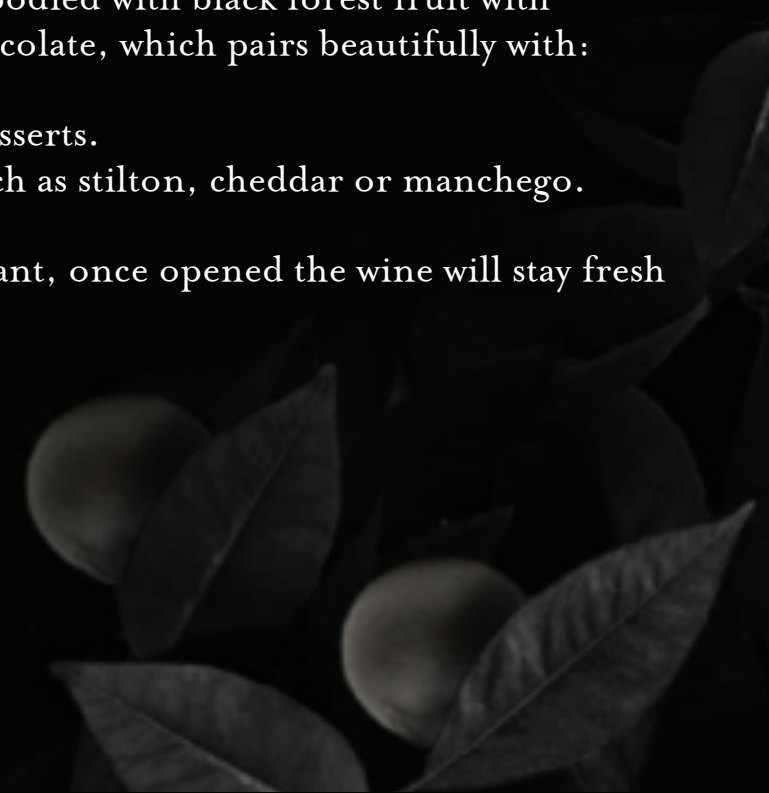






## FOOD PAIRING & SERVING

- ◇ Our 2020 LBV is full-bodied with black forest fruit with undertones of black chocolate, which pairs beautifully with:
  - Dark chocolate desserts.
  - Strong cheeses such as stilton, cheddar or manchego.
- ◇ There is no need to decant, once opened the wine will stay fresh for up to six weeks.





## DESIGN OBJECTIVES

- ◆ Premiumise Dow's LBV and bring it in line with the brand's Vintage Port credentials.
- ◆ Give Dow's LBV a stronger sense of place and provenance by using visual storytelling of Quinta do Bomfim and Quinta da Senhora da Ribeira.
- ◆ Provoke curiosity and encourage collection.
- ◆ Enhance on-shelf presence.
- ◆ Visually distinguish vintages from one another, reinforcing each year's unique profile.







## A COLLECTION OF FAMILY MEMORIES

- ◇ The new design has been inspired by memories of the Douro shared by members of the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> generations of the Symington family.

# OUR LBV GIFTBOX

## Bob's Rock:

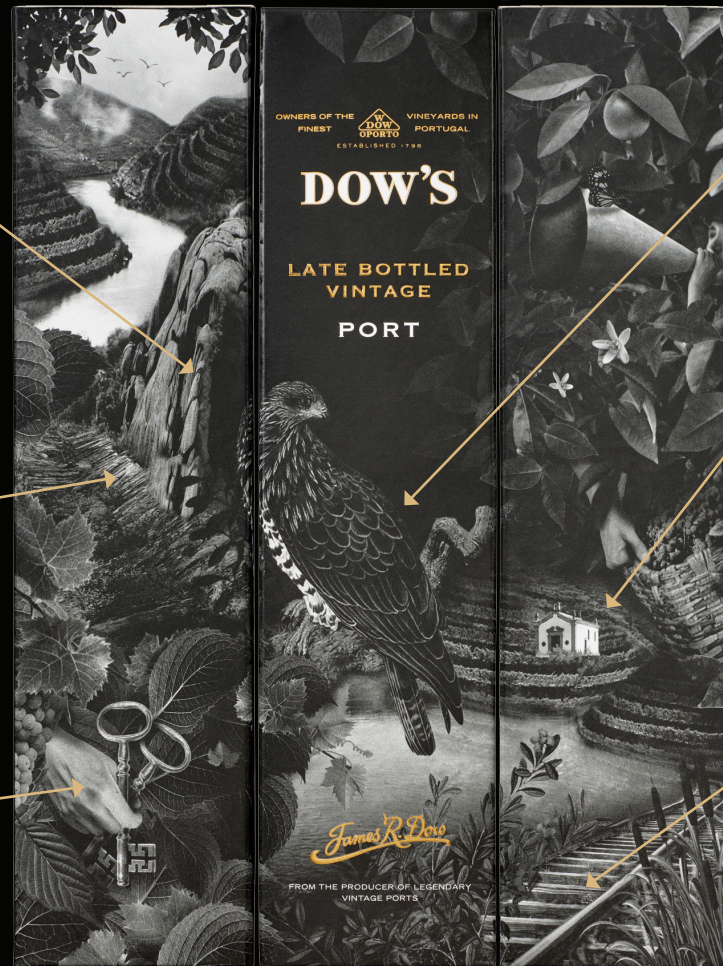
Jutting out from the steep mountainside at Quinta do Bomfim, Bob's Rock offers spectacular views of the Douro and was first 'found' by Uncle Bob. Although challenging to get to, it is still a family favourite to this day.

## The Giants' Causeway:

The Giants Causeway is a large dry-stone wall separating Quinta do Bomfim from the neighbouring Quinta de Sabordela. The wall was so vast that, as children, the 4th generation of the family decided that it had been built by giants.

## Keys to the Quintas:

Only a few people are trusted with the keys to the main gates and wineries of Quinta do Bomfim and Quinta da Senhora da Ribeira.



## Black Kites:

Throughout the summer months, Black Kites are a familiar sight in the Douro – soaring through the air, dipping into pools of water, and hunting their prey.

## The Chapel at Quinta da Senhora da Ribeira:

The 'Lady of the River' chapel at Senhora da Ribeira gave the quinta its name and is a landmark of the Douro Superior. In the days when the river was treacherous, sailors would visit the chapel to pray for their safety before setting sail.

## Railway:

Introduced to the region in 1887, the railway brought with it development, investment, and marked the beginning of the process in which the Douro became much more accessible.



## OUR NEW LBV LABEL

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Butterflies are key to the Douro Valley's vineyards, signalling environmental health and supporting biodiversity. They help attract beneficial insects and contribute to natural pest control. Their presence reflects a balanced and sustainable ecosystem, essential for vineyard longevity.



Orange trees are abundant in the Douro region and many generations of Symingtons have fond memories of sitting in the shade of these trees enjoying freshly-picked oranges.

Olive trees: Shaping the landscape of the Douro Valley alongside the vineyards, these trees became a symbol of the post-phylloxera era, when many vineyard plots were replaced by olive groves. Today, these areas are known as 'Mortórios'.

# THE NEW DOW'S LBV

A NEW AND ELEGANT APPROACH  
TO A CLASSIC PORT.

Whenever we release a new vintage, we will change the illustration on the label - using a different element from the design on the giftbox each time.

Engaging and eye-catching design.



◆ Unique capsule for LBV with Dow's logo.

◆ Updated embossed Dow's logo to reflect Dow's premium credentials.

◆ New label inspired by stories told by the Symington family.

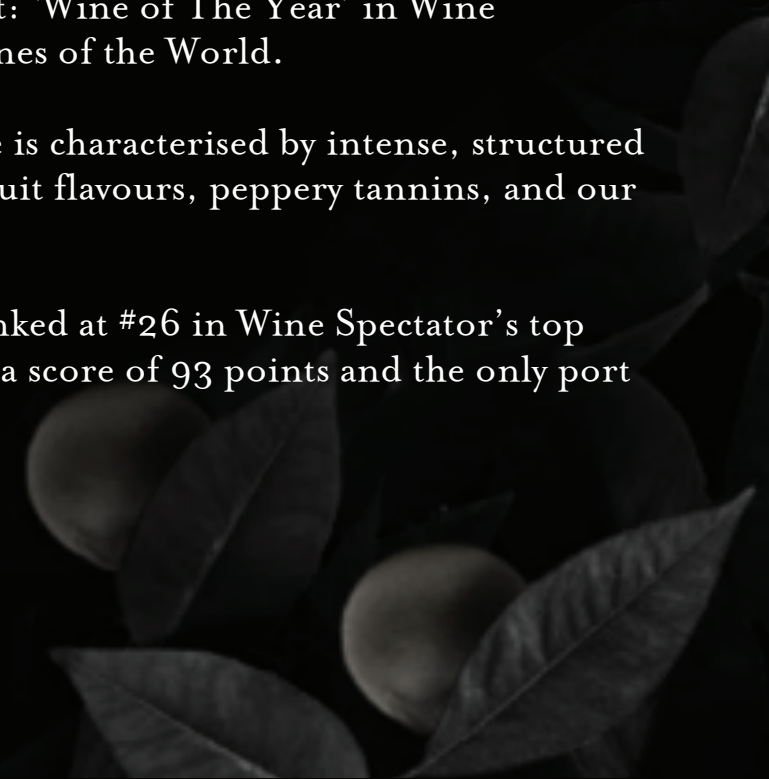
◆ As part of ongoing efforts to reduce our carbon emissions, this new bottle is 18% lighter than the previous one - a reduction of weight from 550g to 450g.





## LEGENDARY REPUTATION

- ◇ Dow's 2007 Vintage Port was awarded 100 points by Wine Spectator.
- ◇ Dow's 2011 Vintage Port: 'Wine of The Year' in Wine Spectator's Top 100 Wines of the World.
- ◇ Dow's distinctive profile is characterised by intense, structured wines with fresh black fruit flavours, peppery tannins, and our hallmark drier finish.
- ◇ Dow's LBV 2018 was ranked at #26 in Wine Spectator's top 100 wines of 2024 with a score of 93 points and the only port included on the list.



## LBV SALES

- ◇ In 2024, Dow's LBV maintained its strong presence in several markets, further increasing its market share. This growth underscores the product's significance in key markets.
- ◇ Dow's LBV is distributed in 32 markets around the world.
- ◇ Dow's LBV retains a strong presence in the off-trade in its top five markets: USA, Canada, Portugal, Netherlands, and Finland.

## TOP LBV MARKET SHARE

— 2024 —

1°	Hong Kong	70%
2°	Finland	21,5%
3°	USA	14%
4°	Netherlands	6%



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