

Portugal, Douro Valley / Porto  
**PORTO CRUZ TAWNY**



**"A favourite all over France"**

**Story** Pick any bistro in France – you will almost certainly see this bottle there. A basic French aperitif, along with many others. You cannot enjoy a meal or go out to eat without a drink in advance or at the start. Worth a visit to the bistro after the working day. Cruz Tawny ages in large casks, which causes its colour to pale into a yellow brown as it ages. Tawnies are blends of Port wines of different ages, young ones bringing fruitiness (as well as a reasonable price) and older ones maturity and more intense aromas. This Tawny is a blend of 3 to 7 year old port wines.

**Producer** Gran Cruz Porto is the world's largest producer of port wine, owned by the French company La Martiniquaise. In France, Cruz is ubiquitous, seen in every market, bar, bistro, and more. France is the world's biggest consumer of port wine, primarily enjoying it as an aperitif. Gran Cruz Porto is also well-known in Belgium and Luxembourg. It's a giant that should never be underestimated: the company holds vast stocks of old port wine and is capable of offering luxury quality at a highly competitive price. The company sells 6 million bottles of port wine annually. Cruz has been focused on and efficient in elevating the quality of its products. Initially, it acquired a large portion of its wines from local cooperatives, but now over half of its required stock comes from about 3,000 farmers, overseen by the company's technical team from the vineyard to the cellar. Additionally, Cruz acquired the magnificent Quinta do Ventozelo in 2015, providing 400 hectares that significantly bolster the company's resources. The company's facilities in Vila Nova de Gaia are impressive, with 220 wooden vats, each with a capacity of 8 million liters, and stainless steel tanks, each with a capacity of 350,000 liters.



**COLOR** Copper red

**AROMA** Currant jam, dried fruit, raisins, milk chocolate and cinnamon

**TASTE** Sweet, acidic with a good body, notes of raisins, notes of chocolate, notes of dry fruit and spices. Long and warm finish, richly filling on the palate

**TIPS FOR USE** A French-style aperitif, when chilled. Suitable for moderate sips as a social wine, a great match to chocolate treats, roasted nuts, sweet fruit and strong cheeses.

<b>WINE TYPE</b>	Port wines	<b>PACKAGE SIZE</b>	6 bottle(s)
<b>MANUFACTURER</b>	Porto Cruz	<b>BOTTLE CLOSING</b>	Plastic closure
<b>ALCOHOL CONTENT</b>	19%	<b>BOTTLE SIZE</b>	0,75 l
<b>SUGAR CONTENT</b>	100 g/l	<b>PRODUCT NUMBER</b>	114000

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