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## WINE OF THE WEEK: F'Oz Dão 2013, Portugal

June 16, 2016 | Joanna Simon

£9.99, *Laithwaites*



I was going to recommend this velvety Portuguese red a while back but it was out of stock everywhere. It's now available again and every bit as good as it was, and Laithwaites has a next-day delivery option (£8.99 – only £1 more than their standard delivery charge) should you need it for Fathers' Day or a weekend barbecue. People are sometimes surprised to hear that Portuguese wines are some of the best value around, but it's because there's a wonderful array of indigenous grape varieties together with winemakers trained in modern techniques to bring out the best in them. This red, made from the flagship port grape Touriga Nacional (one of the easier ones to pronounce) in the historic Dão region, is generous and fruity with soft oak and dry, velvety tannins. It's a natural with red meat, but the tannins are smooth enough not to bully lighter meat, pasta, pulse and grain dishes.

*F'Oz Dão 2013, Portugal*

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