# **BLANDY'S VINTAGE BUAL 1964**



The Blandy's are unique in being the only family of all the original founders of the Madeira wine trade to still own and manage their own original wine company.

The family has played a leading role in the development of Madeira wine throughout its long history and in the economic development of this remote Atlantic Island and members of the family continue to live on Madeira, maintaining a tradition that goes back to 1811.

Blandy's Madeira remains totally dedicated to the traditions, care, and craftsmanship of Madeira Wine making and has been owned by the same family for 200 years and seven generations.

# **VINIFICATION**

Blandy's Vintage Bual 1964 underwent fermentation off the skins with natural yeasts. After 5 to 6 days, fortification with vinic alcohol took place, arresting fermentation at the desired degree of sweetness.



#### **MATURATION**

Blandy's Vintage Bual 1964 is a single harvest Madeira. This wine was aged for 40 years in seasoned American oak casks in the traditional 'Canteiro' system, whereby the casks were gradually transferred from the top floors of the lodge, where it is naturally warmer, to the middle floors and eventually to the ground floor where it is cooler. The wine was regularly racked and when it reached the desired stage of maturity it was bottled.

## **TASTING NOTES**

Clear, golden brown colour with golden green reflections. Intense and complex characteristic bouquet of Madeira with notes of coffee, dried fruits, vanilla and dark chocolate. Full-bodied and medium sweet, with mellow fruit that provides a long and spicy aftertaste.

### **SERVING & CELLARAGE**

This wine should be stored upright in a dark room with constant temperature, ideally no higher than 16°C. As the wine is completely stabilized, it is recommended to pull the cork at least 2 day before enjoying this wine. Decanting will help remove any deposit that may have occurred in bottle over time.

# ACCOLADES

Gold Medal – International Wine & Spirit Competition 2005 Silver Medal – International Wine Challenge 2005 Silver Medal – Decanter Awards 2005

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS	
ALCHOOL:	21%
TOTAL ACIDITY:	1.2 g/l
Baumée:	3.5

'Canteiro'
Bual
Medium Rich
Vintage
American Oak
2613
2004
2004