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points
Drink: 2016-2025

**2011 Quinta do Zambujeiro Terra Do
Zambujeiro**

The 2011 Terra do Zambujeiro, the second wine here, is a kitchen-sink blend: 32% Aragonez, 20% Trincadeira, 30% Alicante Bouschet, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon and 8% Touriga Nacional. It comes in at 15.5% alcohol and was aged for 24 months in French oak (60% new). The oak shows too much at the moment, but that tends to happen when Zambujeiro's wines are young. That, I imagine, is one reason why they are late-released as it also tends to get better with time. Seeming rather full in the mouth, it starts a bit tight on the finish, sometimes seeming tighter than its big brother, the Estate Tinto also reviewed this issue, but it quickly resolves into something softer and more appealing. Underneath the layer of cream, it becomes more interesting with time, but admittedly there is a certain, one-dimensional note to it early on. Just for fun, I reta...

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