





Founded in 1820 by William and John Graham in Portugal's Douro Valley, for two centuries Graham's has cultivated its reputation as one of the greatest names in Port. The quality of Graham's Port relies on the finest grapes, primarily sourced from five iconic quintas in the Douro Valley: Quinta dos Malvedos, Quinta do Tua, Quinta das Lages and two others, Quinta da Vila Velha and Quinta do Vale de Malhadas, which are privately owned by members of the Symington family.

I FELT HUMBLED TO BE PART OF A TRULY REMARKABLE FIRST VINTAGE

THE YEAR

Following four consecutive dry years, the winter of 1985 delivered abundant rainfall. In Michael Symington's ¬final vintage report, dated October 25th he wrote. "Never can the grapes have been gathered under better weather conditions than this 1985 vintage now in its last stages. Since early September we have enjoyed unbroken summer-like weather with only one night of rain, which hardly laid the dust! The overall quality of the 1985 vintage will surely prove outstanding."

THE WINE

Inky impenetrable colour, showing trademark Graham's opulence. Redolent black fruit, purposeful and focused, ¬ring on all cylinders. A thirty-year old still in its teens. A very ¬ne Vintage with a superb solid backbone fruit. It is beautifully fresh and assertive on the nose. Elegant and harmonious.

This wine reminds me of the importance of passing down knowledge and expertise from generation to generation. This is particularly poignant now as my daughter, Vicky, has recently joined the business which has brought back so many memories of my own experience in my early days in the business.

Johnny Symington

WINE SPECIFICATION

Alcohol: 20% vol.(20°C)

Total acidity: 4.13 g/L (tartaric acid)

Baumé: 3.6

Allergy advice: Contains sulphites