

## Churchill Reserve 20cl

£6.99

**Vintage:**

**Bottle Size:** 20cl

**Alcohol %:** 20%

**Country:** Portugal

**Description:** Light, fresh and full of bright and vibrant red and black fruits.

**Cepages:**

**Group:**

**Sub group:** Port

**Colour:** Ruby

**Closure:** Cork

**Producer:**

**Website:**

**Organic/Bio Status:**

**Food / cocktail match:**

**Food / cocktail recipe:**

**Press**

**Awards**

**Other Info:**

Despite its thoroughly traditional-sounding name Churchill is the newest of the British-owned Port companies, founded in 1981 by Johnny Graham. As the name Graham would suggest, Johnny's family has a background in the Port trade: his family owned Graham, one of the most well known of the Port houses which was sold to the Symingtons in 1970. Traditionally, Ports have been foot trodden in lagars, but this requires a large workforce. Typically, Port houses will recruit a team of pickers, usually from the same village. They come and stay in the Douro together and pick by day, then work the lagars at night. It's a sociable practice, but one that harks back to a different era. At Churchill, everything is foot trodden. It's expensive, says Johnny Graham. I'm not sure how much longer we will be able to do it for. From a technical point



of view, treading produces a better result than robotic lagars.