



## HOUSE OF TOWNEND

### Paparuda Feteasca Regala

#### White

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Price	£8.99
Code	PAPA015

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Whilst it may seem obscure, this native Romanian white grape exudes World Class style and tropical fruit - bordering on apricots and mulling spice, it just jumps out of the glass, with a clean, zesty body and nice deft flecks of spice and minerality. Cramele (literally "Cellar") is a premium wine estate located on the far western fringes of the Romanian region of Transylvania/Banat. All the fruit is selected from their own 980 ha estate and bottled in their state of the art winery completed in 2010. Their wines are modern and fruit driven and express perfectly the traditions and terroir of the Recas vineyard where wine has been produced continuously since the 1st century A.D.. A great wine for those bored with the everyday choices you get on the High Street - this is different and in a lovely familiar way.

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#### Tasting Notes:

The Paparuda wines are an excellent choice for value for money with added interest! The Feteasca Regala grape is an old Eastern European variety, which produces aromatic wines in a similar style to a Gewürztraminer or a dry Muscat. A great everyday bottle, notes of crisp apple and pear fruit with a hint of grapefruit on the light, juicy and vibrant palate.

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Specification	
<b>Vinification</b>	Made at the new 'State of the Art' winery built in early 2000, the grapes for this delicious perfumed white wine are picked using the latest machines which avoid bruising the fruit or damaging the vine in any way. The grapes are pressed and the juice pumped into large steel tanks where the long ferment takes place under sterile, temperature controlled conditions, with the aim to preserve the natural fruit characters and freshness of the Feteasca grape. Aged in tank and bottled young in small batches throughout the year, with minimal sulphur used. This wine, like all others from the Cremel Recas winery, is vegan friendly since 2019.
<b>ABV</b>	11.5%
<b>Size</b>	75cl
<b>Drinking Window</b>	Drink now
<b>Country</b>	Romania
<b>Region</b>	Recas/Banat
<b>Area</b>	Recas
<b>Sub Area</b>	Banat
<b>Type</b>	White Wine
<b>Grapes</b>	Feteasca
<b>Genres</b>	Vegan, Vegetarian
<b>Vintage</b>	2024
<b>Style</b>	Dry
<b>Body</b>	Elegant, crisp and delicate
<b>Producer</b>	Cremel Recas
<b>Producer Overview</b>	Legend has it that the Banat region of Romania was where Bacchus, the god of wine, spent his childhood – certainly the first records of viticulture date back to the Roman Empire when it invaded and annexed the central part of Dacia in 106 AD. The region west of Romania, surrounding the city of Timisoara, is the home of the multi award winning Recaş. The vineyard areas and wine region have both benefited from centuries of influence from Hungarian, Bavarian and Austrian immigrants – all laying claim to have influenced the present day viticulture. Recaş is now a 700ha modern day winery, exporting to both Europe and the Americas. It has a Mediterranean climate, cooler than the rest of Romania, and dryer with a longer harvest season, allowing many varieties to ripen easily.
<b>Closure Type</b>	Screw Cap
<b>Food Matches</b>	An ideal accompaniment to fish, poultry and salads.
<b>Press Comments</b>	The 100 best value wines in UK, March 2024: 'New to many of you, Feteasca Regala is a white wine with character. Showing a floral nose followed by a nicely textured middle and a lemon peel finish. This is your new white wine with tapas.' Stephen Barrett