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DOESN'T DO IT JUSTICE.

## Seeing Double Black

Johnnie Walker  
Gets Plugged In  
and Amplified

Jack Berberian, co-founder of  
Jons Marketplace in SoCal helps  
introduce JW Double Black.

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# Most Unexpected

## **Prats + Symington 2008 Chryseia, Douro, Portugal (\$52)**

Like the popular jock who wows his peers by also winning a prestigious award for his Latin scholarship, the unfortified dry wines coming out of the Douro Valley are a surprise to many who are primarily accustomed to the region's port-like charms. With prime Douro estates now producing some of the country's most celebrated varieties for use in table wines, Prats + Symington 2008 Chryseia has been a pioneer and prime example of all the ways non-fortified wines continue to excel in the marriage of classic Portuguese and Bordeaux winemaking traditions. Made from 50% Touriga Nacional and 50% Touriga Franca, Chryseia is aged 12 months in new French oak barrels, resulting in a powerful wine that pays homage to the country's traditions while also expressing that there's so much more to explore in the Douro.

*Bordeaux methods applied to Douro fruit; silky with elegant style and lovely fruit intensity; magical, complex and remarkable; an outstanding wine.*



PREMIUM PORT WINES