[**José Maria da Fonseca**](http://www.jmf.pt/index.php?id=111) **- Wine Company**

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Subject: Visit to the Wine Company “José Maria da Fonseca”

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Introduction:

The aim of this report is to introduce the family company, their business and history.

During the “VET4SCAPE” project from the Erasmus+ we visited the company, in the course of which we are improving our English skills, learning about new cultures and traditions.

History:

The company is located in Azeitão about 30 minutes away from Lisbon. The founder of the company [José Maria da Fonseca](http://www.jmf.pt/index.php?id=111) started a family business in 1834. They have been producing wines for almost 200 years and this skill has been passed on for seven generations.

Nowadays:

Nowadays the company has many buyers; some of them are from other countries like Brazil, Canada and China. The biggest buyer is Sweden.

Types of wine:

They have three categories of wine, which are classed in Key Brands, Premium and Super Premium. They also offer tasting of the wines, which you are able to buy at the end of the tour.

Private Collection:

In the private family collection they keep very old wines from 1880 to 1983. The oldest wine dates back to 1880. The only times they open the doors is when someone from the family gets married or is born. They also open the doors to kings, queens and other important persons.

Conclusion:

To summarize our trip to the wine company, we learned a lot of things about the history of the family and wine, the types of wine and where they are kept. If you are visiting the company with your family there is a lot to see like the garden, fishpond, the cellar and the shop.