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**2014 Lemos and Van
Zeller (Cristiano van
Zeller) Vintage Port Vale
d. Maria**

The 2014 Vintage Port Vale d. Maria is lushier than its VZ sibling this issue, more expressive and easier to understand. The fruit is lifted here and it has fine intensity of flavor and good structure. As with its sibling, there isn't a lot of concentration, but this is a very nice performance in a tough year. We'll see this again in due course; consider this a preview. No price was set when this was tasted.

- Mark Squires (September, 2016)

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