

Gaia Wines, Gaia Estate, Nemea 2020



Concentrated damson fruit enhanced by orange peel together with floral and herbal pine notes, robust, layered and richly expressive.

Producer Note

One of the pioneers of the modern Greek wine revolution Gaia Estate was established in 1994 by Greek winemakers Leon Karatsalos and Yiannis Paraskevopoulos. Operating from two different wineries in the important wine growing regions of Nemea and Santorini, they have earned a reputation for making cutting-edge wines. Gaia's main aim is to explore the boundaries and present the potential of the indigenous Greek grape varieties to wine enthusiasts worldwide.

Vineyard

Agiorgitiko is a fragrant red grape variety native to Greece's Peloponnese Peninsula. The grapes are cultivated in a seven hectare single estate vineyard in Koutsi, Nemea. The vineyard is situated at an altitude of 550 metres above sea level. The 40 year old vines are trained according to the Spur Cordon method and the yields are kept low at 45 to 48 hectolitres per hectare. The soils have a layer of approximately 75cm of clay over a bed of limestone. The grapes are manually harvested.

Winemaking

The Agiorgitiko grapes were cold soaked and macerated for approximately 20 days, to ensure the desired levels of colour, flavour and aromatic extraction. Fermentation took place with selected yeasts in traditional oak fermenters at 22 to 28°C. The wine went through 100% malolactic conversion, which was followed by 18 to 20 months' maturation in mostly new French oak casks. The wine was bottled without fining or filtration.

Tasting Note

With sweet fruits and a rich, velvety texture, this delivers great depth and complexity. A rich and expressive wine with concentrated notes of red and black fruits, vanilla, black pepper and violet enveloped in powerful, yet smooth tannins, through to a long, smooth finish.

Grape

Agiorgitiko 100%



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| Winemaker: | Yiannis Paraskevopoulos |
| Region: | Peloponnese |
| Sub region: | Nemea |
| Country: | Greece |
| Alcohol: | 14.5% |
| Body Value: | D (A is light, E is full bodied) |
| Residual Sugar: | 2.5 |
| Contains Sulphites: | Yes |
| Vegetarian/Vegan: | Yes/Yes |
| Milk/Eggs: | No/No |
| Organic: | No |
| Biodynamic: | No |
| Product Code: | 5912620A |
| Case unit of measure: | 6X75CL |
| Formats Available: | 75cl |
| Closure: | Natural Cork |