

THORMAN HUNT

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Lyrarakis, Crete

Assyrtiko Voila Vineyard



Grower

The Lyrarakis estate is a family vineyard and winery which has been producing high quality wines since 1966. Lyrarakis has devoted itself to the revival of indigenous, almost extinct, rare varieties such as Dafni, Plyto, Melissaki and others, vinifying wines that highlight their unique and distinctive character. Lyrarakis is located in the mountainous commune of Alagni (440 metres above sea-level), south of the city of Heraklion, in Crete. The soils are predominantly loam with either more sand or clay depending on the vineyard site. In charge of winemaking, is Myriam Ambuzer who has been vital in securing Lyrarakis a place in the elite wineries of Greece. Her philosophy emphasises precision, purity and supple texture of the fruit.

Vineyards

Region: Voila area, Sitia, east part of Crete. Soil: Loam. Aspect: Northeast. Vines: Head trained, spur pruned. Altitude: 580m above sea level. Irrigation: Not irrigated. Yield: 9 tn/ha.

Vinification

The harvest was performed by hand to obtain proper fruit maturity. Skin contact was carried out at 12°C for 10 hours. Fermented in a stainless steel tank, this wine had a slow fermentation rate that lasted for 15 days.

Style

Bright platinum color. Aromas of citrus and white fleshed stone fruit with herbal and chalky notes. The mouthfeel is rich and crispy with a salty freshness and a slightly mineral aftertaste.

Grape varieties:

100% Assyrtiko

Vegetarian: yes

Vegan: yes

Bottling options: 75cl

Closure: cork

