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Lyrarakis, Crete

Plyto Psarades 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: Parades area, Alagni, central Crete. Soil: Clay-loam. Aspect: Slightly Northeastern. Vines: Cordon trained, spur pruned. Altitude: 480m above sea level. Irrigation: Not irrigated. Yield: 7.5 tn/ha

Vinification

Timing the harvest is the most important decision for the winemaker. Some years there are 2 harvests in the vineyard, based and focused on the average organoleptic characteristics perceived in 2 different stages of the grape's maturation. For the winemaking, the principals of classic white fermentation are followed. Only yeast derivatives were applied for the stability and natural fining of the wine.

Style

Pale yellow colour. Nose composed of stone fruit, green apple and quince with mineral hints. Long and balanced on the palate with a full-flavoured mouthfeel of lemon zest and pear.



Grape varieties:

100% Plyto

Vegetarian: yes

Vegan: yes

Bottling options: 75cl

Closure: cork

