

DOULOUFAKIS

Liatiko



HISTORY -

The winery is located in the village of Dafnes near the city of Heraklion, Crete. The area has a rich wine history of winemaking and viticulture. From grandfather to father and then to grandson, the Douloufakis family has been involved in viticulture and wine production for three generations. More than half a century later, the same winery, now more contemporary than ever, continues to produce high quality products with the same passion. The family wine making tradition is continued by Nikos Douloufakis, who studied oenology in Piemonte, Italy, an area where the engagement with wine has evolved into a science. From the beginning, his main concern was the restructuring of the family vineyards and the modernization of the winery.

ECOSYSTEM -

The privately owned vineyards are located on hillsides with clay-loam textured soil, with a high percentage of limestone. Douloufakis owns 20 hectares in total. Nikos Douloufakis' decided he wanted to invest in local varieties such as Liatiko, Vidiano, and Malvasia di Candia Aromatica - giving prominence to the potential of wines from Cretan varieties.

VINIFICATION -

Grapes were harvested by hand. Cold maceration for 7 to 10 days. Fermentation is done in stainless steel tanks at controlled temperatures. Wine is racked and put back into tank where malolactic fermentation is carried out.

AGEING -

50% of the wine matured for 12 months in large 1,500L & 3,000L French Oak barrels. 30% in 225lt barriques for 12 months. 20% in stainless steel tanks.

TASTING NOTES -

Liatiko variety gives us delicate and light wines with ruby color. We suggest you try it in a burgundy shape glass that perfectly unfolds its aromas. It has concentrated aromas of fresh red fruits, herbs, and light floral aromas. As it ages, develops a unique bouquet of ripe fruits, leather, and spices. It has light body, good acidity, soft and delicious tannins and long aftertaste, traits that portrait it as a very elegant wine.

COMPOSITION - 100% Liatiko

ALTITUDE - 1,148 ft

REGION - Crete, Dafnes

IRRIGATION - Drip Vine Irrigation

CLASSIFICATION - Dafnes PDO

ALCOHOL % - 13.8%

AGE OF VINES - 25 years

PH - 3.59

VINE TRAINING - Single & Double Cordon Royat

TOTAL ACIDITY - 5.65 grams/liter

SOIL PROFILE - Calcareous Clay-Silt Soils