

PROTECTED GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATION **CRETE**

LIATIKO AGGELIS

2022 DRY RED WINE | SINGLE AREA

"Aggelis" vineyard, planted before 1910 with own-rooted Liatiko vines, highlights the wealth of East Crete. The low yields lead to small grapes of exceptionally high density, which are vinified, almost uncrushed, in small vats. Respect to natural micro-flora that defines fermentation results in a rare wine of self-sufficient flavor and aromatic fullness.



Technical Data

Alcohol:	13.5%
Acidity:	5.55 g/l
pH:	3.3
Res. Sugar:	1.63 g/l

Vineyard / Viticulture

Region:	Aggelis Vineyard, Sitia, East Crete
Altitude:	580m
Soil:	Sandy
Aspect:	North
Vines:	Head trained, Spur pruned
Irrigation:	Not Irrigated
Yield:	6.50 Tn/Ha
Varieties:	Liatiko : 100%

Winemaking

Harvesting was performed in two passes over 15 days, based on flavour profile. Fermentation by indigenous yeasts and malolactic bacteria. 1/3 of the bunches were fermented whole in 5tn oak foudre and barrels. The wine had a 1 month maceration, prior to maturation in oak and inox (65% matured for 6 months in old foudre and oak barrels). Respect to natural micro-flora defines each vintage character. The wine is made with no temperature control for fermentation, no fining, no cold treatments and is bottled unfiltered, with SO2 less than 45 ppm. Ageing Potential: 6-9 years

Tasting note

Light red colour. Aromas of sour cherry marmalade and berries, licorice, cretan herbs like thyme and notes of sea spray with iodine and salinity. Balanced with vibrant acidity. The mouthfeel is fruit-driven with mixed red fruit and a touch of sweet oak, while the tannins are nicely structured. A wine of good length and persistence, expected to be impressive in 2029.

Food Matches

Pair with all grilled food and savoury dishes from Greek and Mediterranean cuisine like octopus or hare stew. Serve at 15-16°C.

Awards

Vintage 2022

2025 Great Greek Wines,
2025 Jancisrobinson.com, 17+ points

Vintage 2021

2024 Sommeliers Choice Awards, Gold Medal
2024 Jancisrobinson.com, 17 points
2023 50 Great Greek Wines, Indigenous Reds, Old Vines
2023 Jancisrobinson.com, 17 points

Vintage 2020

2022 Jancisrobinson.com, 17+ points

Vintage 2019

2021 Decanter WWA, Silver Medal
2021 Jancisrobinson.com, 17 points

Vintage 2018

2021 Wine Enthusiast, 91 points
2020 Wine Advocate Magazine (ERobertParker.com), 90 points
2020 Jancisrobinson.com, 17++ points
2020 Wineanorak.com, 93 points

Vintage 2017

2020 Wine Advocate Magazine (ERobertParker.com), 90 points
2019 Jancisrobinson.com, 17++ points
2019 Wineanorak.com, 91 points

Vintage 2016

2018 Jancisrobinson.com, 17+ points

Vintage 2015

2017 Jancisrobinson.com, 17,5 points