Alpha Estate

Xinomavro Reserve, EcoSystem



"...one of those hot estates that should draw consumer attention. This winery has is making terrific wines." - Robert E. Parker's <u>The Wine Advocate</u>



Dedication to the Greek vineyards brought winemaker Angelos latridis to the Amyndeon ECOSYSTEM. There he met vine grower Makis Mavridis and they both met the inspiration for the creation of the most diversified, for its function and structure, vini-viticulture exploitation. The term ECOSYSTEM expresses the reasonably delineated land and space interactions over time, between living organisms and their environment. The term derives from the Greek work OIKOS, which means house, the space we live on.

The Amyndeon ECOSYSTEM is gifted with unique soil and geological features (light sandy soils, poor in organic matter with excellent drainage capacity, located on top of a calcareous alluvial substrate created by the earlier lacustrine deposits into which root systems with dense branching and dense capillary roots are formatted). It enjoys exceptionally balanced climate conditions (which are determined by the altitude of the plateau and the two adjacent lakes), especially during the crucial months of maturation, fully responsive to the high demands for a balanced viticulture.

Varietal Composition: Xinomavro 100%

Location: BARBA YANNIS 3.17 ha. 40°41'25.78"N - 21°42'50.44"E

Age of Vines: Over 90 years old, 100% ungrafted bush vines

Region: Amyndeon Viticulture Zone

Vineyard: 120ha of linear, single block vineyard, altitude of 620 - 710m
Vinification: Destemming, light crushing, cold soak - skin contact, alcoholic

fermentation by indigenous flora isolated from the specific block, at gradual increasing temperatures, maintenance of wine "sur lies" for 18 months with regular stirring. 24 months in new Allier - Bertrange French oak casks medium grain, white toast and 12 months in the

bottle before release.

Winemaker Notes: Bright ruby color. Complex nose with typical bouquet of small red

berries, sundried tomatoes, strawberries, dark cherries, licorice and

spices. Full body, with rich fruit depth, blackberries, plums,

herbaceous hints and oak on the back. Solid velvety tannins and long

aftertaste with persistent aromas.