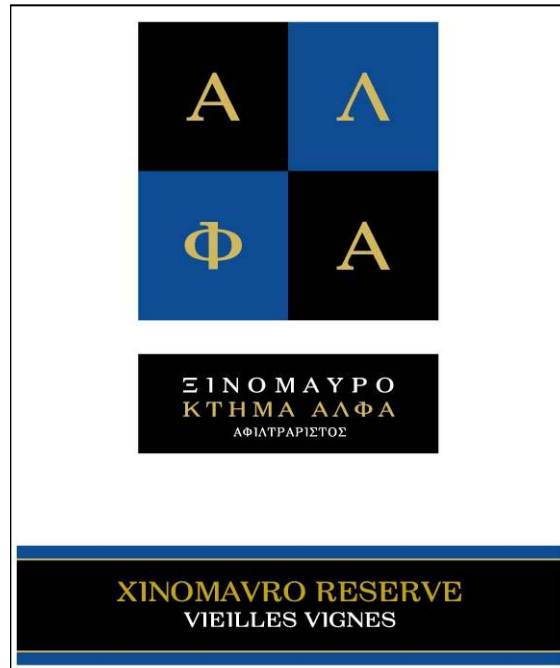


# Alpha Estate EcoSystem Old Vines Xinomavro 2016



**94+ points**

**91\* points**



*"By 'old vines', the winery means 'ungrafted bush vines' from 1919. This looks brilliant. Silky, powerful and intense, it is all about the acidity and tannins on opening. It grips the palate, lifts the fruit and won't let go. Its early complexity is starting to become evident even now."*

*"From a nine-acre parcel planted in 1919, this is a dark, concentrated Xinomavro. The deep red color corresponds directly to the wine's juicy spiced- cherry and plum flavors, so ripe they take on a cola edge, yet the acidity keeps the wine from going over the top. Two years in new French oak casks has taken all the edges off the tannins, culminating in a smooth, modern red."*

\*A Year's Best Xinomavro