

# Alpha Estate

## Axia



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

Alpha Estate is located in the heart of the Amyndeon, a wine region in the Northwest of Greece. The estate's vineyards cover over 160 acres situated on a plateau around 2,000 feet above sea level. Moderate temperatures and heavy winter rains create ideal conditions for the grapes to ripen. Poor soils with good drainage create a mild water deficit, resulting in small berries with intense red color and concentrated flavors and aromas.

Alpha Estate is presided over by Angelo Iatridis, considered by many to be Greece's most promising winemaker. Angelo cultivates international varieties as well as indigenous Greek varieties, and all the wines are crafted in Alpha's state-of-the-art gravity-flow winery. Alpha is considered one of the most cutting edge

producers in Greece and has established the most technologically advanced vineyards in the viticulture world. They always strive for precision grape-growing and focused terrior-driven wines that are bold and exciting.

Varietal Composition:	Xinomavro 50%, Syrah 50%
Classification:	PGI Florina
Vineyard Location:	"Petres" and "Dromos". Amyndeon plateau.
Vinification:	Destemming, light crushing, cold soak - skin contact under controlled conditions, fermentation at gradual increasing temperatures, maintenance of wine "sur lie" for seven months with regular stirring.
Alcohol:	14%
Total Acidity:	6.0gr/l
pH:	3.49
Winemaker Notes:	Splendid, purple red color. Complex, typical bouquet of spices (vanilla, pepper, clove), with hints of ripe blackberry. Full mouth with vanilla aroma, rounded tannins, balanced acidity and wood tones. Long finish with intense quince aroma.