

# Paterianakis 2019 Vidiano (Crete) ORGANIC

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| WineWise Code           | HPA-VID19  |
| Country                 | Greece   |
| Region                  | Crete  |
| Color                   | White  |
| Case Size               | 12x750   |
| ABV                     | 12   |
| Acidity                 | 5.8  |
| Residual Sugar          | 1.7  |
| Closure                 | Natural Cork   |
| Annual Cases Produced   | 4000 bottles   |
| Varieties               | 100% Vidiano   |
| Maceration Notes        | The 50 % of the grapes remain for skin contact for a few hours at cold temperatures.   |
| Pumpover / Punchdown    | No   |
| Destemming              | Whole Cluster  |
| Fermentation Vessel     | Stainless Steel  |
| Fermentation Duration   | 18 days  |
| Aging Method            | Stainless Steel  |
| Filtered                | Yes  |
| Fining Agents           | Bentonite  |
| Yeast                   | Cultured   |
| Lees Contact / Stirring | At the end of fermentation the wine is left on its fine lees for a few months in order to gain structure and body.   |
| Malolactic              | No   |
| Added Sulfur            | Yes, 100 mg/L  |
| Vineyard Name           | Melissokipos   |
| Soil Type               | Calcareous, Loess  |
| Elevation (meters)      | 700  |
| Vineyard Aspect         | Northwest  |
| Vine Age (years)        | 25   |
| Vine Yields (hl/ha)     | 50   |
| Farming Practices       | Certified Organic  |
| Vine Training Notes     | organic cultivation, using some aspects of biodynamic philosophy, minimise the use of heavy machinery, winter cover crop and winter rest, structural diversity and vertical biodiversity |
| Grape Picking           | Hand-harvested   |

## WineWise Notes:

Giorgios does a beautiful job with Crete's iconic white variety. Sporting just 12% alcohol, the wine is pale and initially understated, but it blossoms with air. Mid-weight and stony, it reminds one of a Clairette enlivened with a dash of aromatic Grenache Blanc. Really insinuating and easy to drink.

Established in 1990, this was the first certified organic estate in Crete. With its 4000 year-old wine culture, this magnificent island offers no shortage of unique indigenous grape varieties, which are what we have chosen to feature here. The winery itself is intelligently constructed into a hillside, which offers natural insulation and the valuable possibility to move everything by gravity. Giorgios Paterianakis makes an impressive array of wines for a modestly sized estate. Our initial selection is two whites and a red.



## Notes from the producer:

The Vidiano is a native Cretan variety which was revived through the efforts of pioneering winemakers and grape growers on the island. The variety is gaining a broad reputation, as it is already being grown and vinified throughout Crete by almost all winemakers. It is called the Cretan diva. Vidiano is a fruity & creamy wine with well balanced acidity due to the exposure of our organic vineyards to cooling winds. Ideal for wine connoisseurs looking to age their white wines in a cellar.