

# mikros vorias red

## **Technical information**

<b>Varieties:</b> 60-40% Merlot/Cabernet Sauvignon	Type: Dry Red	Sugar: <1 g/L
Viticultural zone: Slopes of Aigialeia	Vintage: 2020	Total acidity: 6,9 g/L
Classification: PGI Slopes of Aigialeia	<b>Alcohol:</b> 12,5%	<b>pH:</b> 3,28

### Vineyards

Two great international varieties which have adapted superbly to the cool micro-climate of mountainous Aigialeia and its steep slopes. The vine plots are located in Greka, Koutsoura and Doumena, at an altitude of 700-900 m. The soil is poor and of an ideal mechanical composition which drains well. All activities relating to cultivation are carried out by hand and yields do not exceed 60hl/ha.

## Winemaking

The grape-picking is done by hand using small crates. In 2020, it took place in mid-September in excellent climatic conditions. The grapes reached the winery in a healthy and perfectly mature condition. After the raw material was sorted and lightly crushed, pre-fermentative cold maceration took place at 8-10°C for about 3 days to take full advantage of the aromatic potential of the two varieties. Maceration continued for about another week at temperatures of 15-20°C, and was accompanied by the start of alcoholic fermentation. The alcoholic fermentation was followed by malolactic fermentation, and the wine was finally aged in a tank with micro-oxygenation for about a month and a half. At all stages of the winemaking process, from the moment the grapes are received to the bottling, natural gravity flow is used.

#### **Organoleptic properties**

Purple in colour with violet streaks and intense bouquets of fresh red forest fruit (white-heart cherry, sour cherry) and herbs that sweetened by the aromas of malolactic fermentation (chestnut, hazelnut, vanilla, caramel). Rich and round on the palate, with a refreshing taste, pleasantly mild tannins and a fruity aftertaste. It goes perfectly with grilled meat, winged game, pasta in red and spicy sauces, as well as with Greek dishes cooked in olive oil. It is served cool at a temperature of 14-16°C.