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## From the Aegean to Sterea Ellada - Greece is the guest country at VieVinum 2024

A delegation of Greek wine producers is heading to Vienna. From 25 May to 27 May, they will present their wines at the HOFBURG Vienna under this year's VieVinum guest country spotlight.

For a long time, the wines of Greece were relatively unrecognised. But today, this popular vacation destination is considered as one of the most exciting hotspots of the international wine scene. This is thanks to the increasing number of wineries focusing on indigenous grape varieties and producing world-class wines from them. Driving this trend is a young generation who, after studying oenology or gaining work experience in other countries, are bringing with them new perspectives and, above all, an appreciation for the unique terroir of their Greek homeland. These efforts are bearing fruit, with white grape varieties such as Assyrtiko, Malagousia, Muscat d'Alexandrie and Savatiano (Retsina), and red varieties including Agiorgitiko and Xinomavro, found more and more frequently on wine lists of renowned restaurants and wine bars.

#### Volcanic rock, limestone or granite

Greece is considered as the first viticultural center of Europe. Many grape varieties that once reached the coasts of Italy and France – and spread from there - had been sent from Greek ports. Today, around 300 grape varieties are cultivated in vineyards covering around 110,000 hectares. And, after a period of international focus, indigenous varieties are once again gaining in importance. The vineyards are planted at up to 800 meters above sea level, predominantly on soils of volcanic rock, limestone and granite. The proximity of many wine-growing zones to the coast is distinctive, with the vines and soils being caressed by salty sea breezes. This gives the wines a taut, mineral character that makes them particularly appealing.

The wines of VieVinum's guest country, Greece, can be tasted in the Rittersaal or at the Masterclass on Sunday, 27 May 2024, from 15:15 to 16:30, in the Künstlerzimmer.



# The following wineries will be present with their own stand

DOMAINE COSTA LAZARIDI GAIA WINERY KIR YIANNI ESTATE AVANTIS ESTATE CAVINO WINERY TSELEPOS ESTATE & KTIMA SPIROPOULOS CHATEAU NICO LAZARIDI DOMAINE HATZIMICHALIS DOMAINE SKOURAS	www.domaine-lazaridi.gr www.gaiawines.gr www.kiryianni.gr www.avantisestate.gr www.cavino.gr www.tselepos.gr; www.tselepos.gr; www.ktimaspiropoulos.com www.chateau-lazaridi.com www.hatzimichalis.com www.skouras.gr	DRAMA, OSTMAKEDONIEN NEMEA, PELOPONNES NAOUSSA, ZENTRALMAKEDONIEN EVIA, ZENTRALGRIECHENLAND AEGION, PELOPONNES MANTINIA, PELOPONNES DRAMA, OSTMAKEDONIEN FTHIOTIS, ZENTRALGRIECHENLAND NEMEA, PELOPONNES
KECHRI WINERY	www.kechris.gr	THESSALONIKI, ZENTRAI MAKEDONIEN
DIAMANTAKOS ESTATE BOUTARI WINERIES KTIMA BIBLIA CHORA KTIMA GEROVASSILIOU TSILILIS WINERY ALPHA ESTATE	www.diamantakos.gr www.boutari.gr www.bibliachora.gr www.gerovassiliou.gr www.tsililis.gr www.alpha-estate.com	NAOUSSA, ZENTRALMAKEDONIEN NAOUSSA, SANTORINI, CRETE KAVALA, OSTMAKEDONIEN EPANOMI, MAKEDONIEN TRIKALA, THESSALIEN AMYNTAION,
SAMOS COOPERATIVE SANTO WINES WINERY GREEK WINE CELLARS	www.samoswine.gr www.santowines.gr www.greek-wine-cellars.com	NORDWESTMAKEDONIEN SAMOS SANTORINI ATTICA, ZENTRALGRIECHENLAND

# The following wineries will be present at the Greece Wine Bar

DOMAINE COSTA LAZARIDI	www.domaine-lazaridi.gr	DRAMA, OSTMAKEDONIEN
KIR YIANNI ESTATE	www.kiryianni.gr	NAOUSSA, ZENTRALMAKEDONIEN
CAVINO WINERY	www.cavino.gr	AEGION, PELOPONNES
CHATEAU NICO LAZARIDI	www.chateau-lazaridi.com	DRAMA, OSTMAKEDONIEN
DOMAINE HATZIMICHALIS	www.hatzimichalis.com	TSAIRI, ZENTRALGRIECHENLAND
DOMAINE SKOURAS	www.skouras.gr	NEMEA PELOPONNES
PAPAIOANNOU WINERY	www.papaioannouwinery.com	NEMEA PELOPONNES
DIAMANTAKIS WINERY	www.diamantakiswines.gr	KRETA
ALPHA ESTATE	www.alpha-estate.com	AMYNDEON, NORDWEST MAKEDONIEN



## Facts - VieVinum 2024

Venue: HOFBURG Vienna, Heldenplatz entrance. Date: Saturday, 25 May to Monday, 27 May, 2024 Opening Times: Sat. to Mon. from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. For the trade and press: Sat. to Mon. from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission: Online ticket: € 75 www.vievinum.at/tickets Trade visitors upon accreditation: € 55 www.vievinum.at School of Wine: VieVinumSchoolofWine Preview list of exhibitors: VieVinumAusstellervorschau www.vievinum.com

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