

## Tetramythos N.V. Retsina (Peloponnese)

WineWise Code	HTE-RETNV
Country	Greece
Region	Peloponnese
Subregion	Achaia
Color	White
Alcohol by Volume	12.5
Acidity	5.1
Residual Sugar	2.8
Closure	DIAM
Annual cases produced	1400
Varieties	100% Roditis
Destemming	Complete
Fermentation duration	3 months
Aging duration (months)	3
Filtered?	Yes
Fining agents	Bentonite
Yeast	Spontaneous
Lees Contact or Stirring	lees contact
Malolactic	Yes
Added Sulfur	Yes, 25 ppm
Vineyard Name	Ahouskes
Soil Type(s)	Calcareous, Alluvial, Loam
Elevation (meters)	650
Vineyard Aspect	North
Vine age (years)	18
Vine Yields hl/ha	82
Farming practices	Certified Organic
Vine Training Notes	Bushvines
Grape Picking	Hand-harvested

### Notes from the producer:

Located in the village of Ano Diacopto, on the slopes of Mount Aroania, we have a beautiful winery, with state of the art machinery, in a lovely building, which fits perfectly with the surrounding mountainous area. The vineyards are planted mostly with indigenous Greek along with some international grape varieties, and we practice strictly organic cultivation.



### WineWise Notes:

Tetramythos have stormed Europe with this revolutionary version of Greece's most infamous vinous product. Treating it with a seriousness never before accorded it by anyone, it is made from the estate's organic Roditis grapes (rather than the Savatiano almost universally employed elsewhere), to which is added before fermentation a moderate quantity of resin drawn from pine trees growing on the property. 40% is fermented on wild yeasts in amphorae, the balance in stainless steel. Extended lees aging is the final touch before bottling. The result is an understated, elegantly dry wine that is a cinch with Mediterranean seafood dishes and will banish forever dubious memories of Greek beach holidays.

Another young winery founded in 1999 by the brothers Aristides and Stathios Panos, it offers a splendid range of impeccably made wines from both indigenous and international varietals at improbably low prices. The mindboggling vineyards rise to elevations of 1000 meters, ensuring that diurnal temperature range that is so often the lodestone of quality in Greece. Enjoying unique limestone soils and making wines only from free-run juice, Tetramythos offers a finesse and purity that are unexpected at this price level. The "Natural" series wines are made according to some biodynamic principles e.g. the whites are harvested, pressed and bottled on flower days, and the reds on fruit days.

