## Paterianakis 2019 Vidiano (Crete) ORGANIC

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.

