



PRODUCER PROFILE

Estate owned by: Leon Karatsalos & Yiannis Paraskevopoulos Winemaker: Yiannis Paraskevopoulos Estate founded: 1994 Region: Nemea Country: Greece

GAI'A 4-6h Rosé 2017

WINE DESCRIPTION

One of the pioneers of the modern Greek wine revolution, Gai'a Estate (pronounced Yay-ya) was established in 1994 by Leon Karatsalos and winemaker Yiannis Paraskevopoulos. Their mission was to capture the best that Greece's indigenous grapes have to offer by merging traditional viticultural and production methods with innovative techniques. The estate is named after "Mother Earth," in honor of the unique terroir that gives birth to these world-class wines.

The grapes for the 14-18h Rosé come from vineyards located on the slopes of the mountainous Koutsi and Asprokampos regions of Nemea, at an altitude of 2,625ft. The climate is considerably cooler at this higher elevation, resulting in grapes with higher acidity and berry fruit aromas, ideal for the production of rosé.

After harvest, the grapes are crushed and placed into stainless steel vats where they undergo a chilled maceration (50°F) for 14-18 hours in order to extract its suberb rosy hue.

TASTING NOTES

This intensely-hued rosé has a fresh and fruity character, dominated by the flavors of cherry and gooseberry, which are typical of Agiorgitiko grapes that grow on the Nemea highlands. Medium-bodied and well balanced, it has a cool and refreshing finish.

FOOD PAIRING

This refreshing rosé is a versatile choice for a variety of appetizers and salty dishes. It is an ideal pairing for Chinese and Southeast Asian cuisine.

VINEYARD & PRODUCTION INFO

Soil composition: Gravel-Loam Elevation: 2,625 feet First vintage of this wine: 1996 Average Wine Age: 25 years

WINEMAKING & AGING

Varietal composition: 100% Agiorgitiko Fermentation container: Stainless steel tanks

Fining agent: Vegar

Prefermentation technique: Cold maceration Time on its skins: 14-18 hours

ANALYTICAL DATA

Alcohol: 13% pH level: 3.2 Residual sugar: 1.7 g/L Acidity: 6.1 g/L

