Tetramythos 2022 Malagousia Natur (Peloponnese)

WineWise Code	HTE-MLN22
Country	Greece
Region	Patras
Color/Style	White
Farming Practices	Certified Organic
Varieties	100% Malagousia
ABV	11.5
Residual Sugar	1.8
Acidity	5.1
Closure	DIAM
Case Size	12x750
Pricing	Discountable
Maceration	Typical white vinification
Destemming	Complete
Fermentation Vessel	Stainless Steel
Fermentation Duration	1 month
Aging Method	Stainless Steel
Aging Duration (months)	3
Filtered	No
Fining Agents	None
Yeast	Spontaneous
Malolactic	Yes
Added Sulfur	Yes, 22ppm
Vineyard Name	Pythos (meaning: clay jar)
Soil Type	Alluvial
Elevation (meters)	715
Vineyard Aspect	North
Vine Age	16
Yields (hl/ha)	47
Vine Training	Royat trellis system
Picking	Hand-harvested
Annual Production	820

Notes on 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.

The Spanos brothers, Aristos and Stathis, are locals who were involved in grape growing and wine production early in their lives. In 1999 they meet Panayiotis Papagiannopoulos, a talented and highly inspired winemaker (and also from the area!), who joined the team. In the years that followed they produced the first bottles of Tetramythos, planted new vineyards, and in 2003 began the construction of a tasteful winery which they completed in 2004. Their philosophy is to combine scientific knowledge and traditional methods in order to produce high quality wines, in the most natural possible way, with low intervention and no additives, to express the typicity of the special regional terroir.



WineWise Notes:

We have been waiting for years to re-introduce this heavenly variety to our range, and in 2021 Panagiotis gave us our reason to do so. Picked early in a notably warm vintage, and sporting just 11.5% alcohol, this has all the aromatic exuberance associated with Malagousia but it trips from your glass with a spring in its step.

Another young winery founded in 1999 by the brothers Aristides and Eustatius Stathios Spanos, it offers a splendid range of impeccably made wines from both indigenous and international varietals at improbably low prices. The startling quality is greatly attributable to their stellar wine-maker, Panagiotis Pappagiannopoulos. 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 "Nature" 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. Panagiotis aims to make all his wines in this style in the coming years. We find the style so compelling that we have essentially adapted our range entirely to it.

