



PRODUCER PROFILE

Estate owned by: Christoforos Pavlidis
 Winemaker: Panagiotis Kyriakidis
 Total acreage under vine: 160
 Estate founded: 1998
 Winery production: 350,000 Bottles
 Region: Drama
 Country: Greece

EMPHASIS Tempranillo 2014

WINE DESCRIPTION

While winemaking in Drama dates back to antiquity, the region did not emerge onto the modern winemaking scene until the 1980s. Ktima Pavlidis was created in 1998 with 160 acres of estate vineyards planted with a mix of international and indigenous Greek varieties.

ABOUT THE VINEYARD

The two estate vineyards of Ktima Pavlidis are Kokkinogia (AKA "red soil" in Greek) and Perichora. The Kokkinogia Vineyard possesses red clay soils and a Northwest exposure, which provides protection from the harsh summer sun. The poor fertility and limited soil depth, together with high planting density and a long growing season, ensures that the grapes develop full, mature structure and excellent varietal character. The Perichora Vineyard is located on the foothills of Menoikio Mountain with a North-facing slope, at an altitude of 900-1,500ft. This area is considerably cooler, with mountain breezes providing a refreshing relief to the grapes, allowing them to develop slowly and with a well-balanced acidity.

WINE PRODUCTION

The grapes are hand-harvested, followed by destemming and a light crushing. The must undergoes pre- and post-fermentation maceration to fully extract the rich flavors and color from the Tempranillo grapes. After fermentation, the wine is transferred by gravity to oak barrels for 18 months aging, followed by another 18 months bottle aging prior to release.

TASTING NOTES

Ruby red in color with bright violet reflections, this red wine is dominated by a bouquet of ripe berries, black plums and dried prunes, followed by hints of sweet vanilla oak. Well-balanced, with a velvety mouthfeel and rich but rounded tannins, this Tempranillo has a lively acidity and a persistent fruit-forward finish with hints of spicy licorice. It will continue to evolve and develop more complex flavors over the next 15 years.

FOOD PAIRING

A great pairing wine for creamy cheeses, red meat and spicy sauces.

VINEYARD & PRODUCTION INFO

Vineyard name:	Kokkinogia & Perichora Vineyards
Vineyard size:	160 acres
Soil composition:	Terra rossa and marly limestone
Exposure:	Northern / Northwestern
Average Vine Age:	15-20 years

WINEMAKING & AGING

Varietal composition:	100% Tempranillo
Type of aging container:	Barrels
Length of aging before bottling:	18 months
Length of bottle aging:	18 months

ANALYTICAL DATA

Alcohol:	14.0 %
pH level:	3.6
Residual sugar:	2.9 g/L
Acidity:	5.6 g/L