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BARCELONA TO ISTANBUL ♦ OCTOBER 6 TO 18, 2021



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Renowned Wine Expert and Author

"Just as the roots of Western Civilization can be traced back to ancient Greece, the roots of ancient wines go back even further in Turkey to some of our earliest evidence of winemaking. Both countries are now enjoying a rebirth of fine wine from viticultural regions made famous by Homer and the Bible. This cruise is an amazing opportunity to taste both the future and the ancient past of the culture of wine."

2019 Domaine Nerantzi Assyrtiko Serres Greece

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2019 Domaine Nerantzi Assyrtiko Serres Greece

SKU #1497824

92 points Wine & Spirits

“ The Mitropoulou family planted assyrtiko in a valley in Central Macedonia more than a decade ago and winemaker Evanthia Mitropoulou finds that it thrives in the rich loam soils; she credits the limestone that lies underneath for giving the wine its mineral flavors. Farmed organically, the vines produced a small, concentrated crop in 2019, which she vinified in stainless steel, with minimal sulfur. The result is zesty and invigorating, with bright acidity and a salinity that keeps the pear flavors compellingly juicy. Those flavors broaden with time in the glass, developing a subtle richness that makes this very easy to drink. ” (8/2020)

K&L Notes

On the border of Macedonia and Thrace in northern Greece vigneron Nerantzi Mitropoulos has made it his life's mission to explore and express the indigenous varieties of his home country. Working organically and with all indigenous yeasts, each wine is a pure expression of its variety and the region. Assyrtiko, well-established as a grape by the island of Santorini, has the potential to expand outside the region. Nerantzi has planted it on primarily calcareous sandy-loam which has given it this beautiful texture and weight. The vineyards at nearly 1000 feet, are an ideal alternative to the volcanic pumice and ash that make up Santorini. We think you'll agree, this wine goes beyond potential and shows that Assyrtiko is Greece's most intriguing white.

Price: **\$18.99**

Quantity:

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2017 Borsao "Tres Picos" Garnacha Campo de Borja

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2017 Borsao "Tres Picos" Garnacha Campo de Borja

SKU #1481825

92 points James Suckling

“ A super brambly red that has abundant rich and ripe, dark berry and cherry aromas. The palate is a riot of fresh dark berries and delivers a very plush, sweetly spiced, powder-dry finish. Drink or hold. ” (7/2019)

Jancis Robinson

“ The cooperative of Borja and also the Borsao brand was founded in 1958. Some years later, the cooperatives of Pozuelo and Tabuenca joined to establish a new company called Bodegas Borsao S A. They are one of the main producers of Garnacha in the world. Single varietal of Garnacha. Vineyards of up to 850 m elevation from Tabuenca on red clay and sandstone, 450 m in Borja on gravel and 350 m in Pozuelo on limestone soils. Cryomaceration of one to two days, alcoholic fermentation in stainless-steel tanks for 10–12 days. Matured for five months in wood. Production of 150,000 bottles. Tasted blind. Dark fruit, concentrated blue wild berries and sweet toasted oak. Quite impressive ripeness and intensity. It has lots of extract and intensity, with big, dark-fruit impact, juicy and well ripened tannins. It is long and concentrated, substantial and exuberant. The oak charge is palatable but the wine has enough concentration to cope with it. Very young and hedonistic wine, on the modern side. 17.5/20 points. (FC) ” (6/2018)

Price: **\$14.99**

Quantity:

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