

Brand Name :	GAIA ESTATE (Appellation of Origin NEMEA of Superior Quality)	
Vintage :	2000	
Region (and Subregion) :	NEMEA (Koutsi)	
Grape Variety :	Agiorgitiko	
Alcohol Level :	14 % vol.	
Acidity Level :	5,23 g/lit.	pH : 3,63
Sugar :	2,0 g/lit	
Volume of Bottle :	750 ml	

Description of wine, vineyards, winemaking etc. :

Atop the South-Western slopes of Koutsi, at an altitude of 650 m. we cultivate our Agiorgitiko vines with an eye toward the creation of a red wine of an exceptional personality and a great aging potential.

The yield of *GAIA ESTATE*'s 12 year old vineyard is closely monitoring so that it remains low, never exceeding 56 hl/he.

During wine-making, we extend the moment of extraction to its limit, giving the absolutely ripe Agiorgitiko grape the chance to express its powerful character at full strength. Afterwards, the new wine will mature for 12 months in new 225 liter French oak casks from the Nevers and Allier forests.

The wine undergoes malolactic fermentation during its first winter of aging.

Ultimately, *GAIA ESTATE* is bottled directly from the cask without prior treatments such as chilling or filtration. In this way, we preserve the best of all the essential elements of our wine.

Upon its first release, *GAIA ESTATE 1997* obtained the Gold Medal in the 1st International Wine Competition of Thessaloniki (under the auspices of O.I.V.), together with the 1st place award for the best A.O.C. wine of the year.

Vintage 2000 gave us 39,928 numbered 0,75 lit. bottles & 300 numbered 1,5 lit. Magnum bottles.