

# ΛΥΡΑΡΑΚΙΣ ΜΑΝΔΙΛΑΡΙ ΠΛΑΚΟΥΡΑ RED 2018

PROTECTED GEOGRAPHICAL  
INDICATION **CRETE**

Dry Red Wine



## Technical Data

**Alcohol:** 14.2%  
**Acidity:** 6.9 g/lt  
**pH:** 3.18  
**Res.Sugar:** 2.1 g/lt

## Vineyard/Viticulture

**Region:** "Plakoura" vineyard, Karkadiotisa area, central Crete  
**Soil:** Sandy-loam with a good amount of stone  
**Aspect:** North-east  
**Vines:** Head trained, spur pruned  
**Altitude:** 500m above sea level  
**Irrigation:** Not irrigated  
**Yield:** 6 tn/ha  
**Varieties:** Mandilari 100%

## Wine making

Green harvest in August. Harvest by hand, during the second week of September, defined by berry sensory assessment to obtain the proper fruit and aromatic balance. 12% of the grapes were sun-dried for 3 days in order to achieve aromatic complexity and concentration. Fermentation with selected yeasts at temperatures between 25° and 28° C. The wine was aged for 14 months in a new oak tank (34%) and re-used French (35%) and American (31%) oak barrels.

## Tasting Note

Deep red colour. In the nose, intense aromas of ripe cherry and black fruit balanced by a cedar oak sweetness and earthy notes. Rich and well-structured in the mouth, full of chewy tannins offering a long and savoury finish. This wine has an excellent bottle-ageing potential that can overpass 10 years.

## Food matches

Roast beef, red meat dishes, game and piquant cheese. Serve at 16-17°C.

## Awards

### Vintage 2017

2021 Decanter WWA, Silver medal  
2021 JancisRobinson.com, 16,5++ points  
2020 Wine Advocate Magazine,  
eRobertParker.com, 90 points  
2020 wineanorak.com, 93 points

### Vintage 2016

2018 JancisRobinson.com, 16,5+ points

### Vintage 2014

2018 TEXSOM International Wine Awards,  
Silver medal  
2017 Dubrovnik Festiwine Trophy, Silver medal  
2017 JancisRobinson.com, 16,5+ points  
2017 Decanter WWA, Bronze medal

### Vintage 2013

2016 Andrew Jefford on Decanter.com, 91 points  
2016 Decanter WWA, Silver medal  
2016 TEXSOM International Wine Awards,  
Silver medal  
2016 WSWA Tasting Competition, Silver medal  
2016 Thessaloniki International Wine Competition,  
Silver medal  
2016 JancisRobinson.com, 16,5+ points

### Vintage 2012

2015 Wine & Spirits Magazine, 91 points  
2015 Challenge International du Vin,  
Silver medal  
2015 Mundus Vini, Silver medal

### Vintage 2010

2014 Wine Advocate Magazine  
eRobertParker.com, 90 points

### Vintage 2008

2013 China Wine and Spirits, Gold medal-  
Best Value  
2012 Berliner Wein Trophy, Silver medal  
2012 Challenge International du Vin,  
Bronze medal