

The Wine Regions of Greece (Maps)

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Learn about the top wines of Greece and see where they grow on a map.

By becoming educated in Greece's wine geography, you'll have a much better understanding of how different Greek wines taste based on the different climates in each area. This in-depth guide identifies the most important wines of Greece and where they grow. Use the map below to learn more about the modern wines of Greece.

The very first thing to understand is that Greece is much more diverse in terms of climate than most people realize. The country has everything from arid Mediterranean islands to wet, mountainous pine forests that receive snowfall in the winter. With such a diverse climate, you can expect Greek wines to be quite varied as well. So, one of the best ways to wrap your head around Greek wine is to split the country up into four overarching wine zones based on their climates.

WINE REGIONS OF GREECE

WINE FOLLY

NORTHERN GREECE EPIRUS, MACEDONIA AND THRACE

- Xinomavro
- Malagousia
- Assyrtiko
- Limnio
- Cabernet Sauvignon
- Sauvignon Blanc

Naoussa
Amyndeo

Zitsa

- Debina
- Vlahiko

EPIRUS

KEFALONIA

- Robola
- Roditis
- Mavrodaphne

Nemea

Mantineia

- Agiorgitiko
- Moschofilero
- Mavrodaphne

SOUTHERN GREECE CRETE, PELOPONNESE, KEFALONIA

MACEDONIA

THESSALY

- Rapsani
- Xinomavro
- Krasato
- Stavrota

CENTRAL GREECE INCLUDING ATTICA AND THESSALY

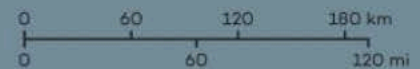
- Savatiano
- Retsina
- Malagousia
- Agiorgitiko

- Santorini
- Assyrtiko
- Aidani
- Athiri

AEGEAN ISLANDS SAMOS, SANTORINI, LIMNOS, ETC

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- CRETE
- Vidiano
- Kotsifali
- Mandilaria
- Liatiko
- Syrah



Next up, the white grape Malagousia, is a recent discovery after being single-handedly resurrected by Gerovassiliou, a winery close to Thessaloniki. These wines offer a richer white wine style, almost like a cross between Viognier and Chardonnay, with peach, lime, and orange blossom and lemon oil all tied together with a soft, fruity finish.

The other grapes of Northern Greece, including Assyrtiko and Roditis, are often blended with **Sauvignon Blanc**, **Chardonnay**, or Malagousia to produce rich, somewhat smoky white wines with gooseberry, starfruit, and melon flavors. These are delicious options to accompany fish.

Other imported grapes, including **Merlot** and **Syrah**, are often blended in varying portions with the Greek native vines to make them more familiar to a growing international following.