

DOMAINE DOULOUFAKIS VIDIANO 2014

WINE



Wine: Domaine Douloufakis

Vintage: 2014

Country: Greece

Region: Crete

Grapes: Vidiano

Vines: Organic

Production: Small

I selected the **Domaine Douloufakis "Dafnios" Vidiano 2014** for the **November Vine Club** and, I hear it's been a hit. It's made from 100% vidiano [pronounce: Vee thee ah no'] an obscure and ancient grape indigenous to the isle of Crete. Dimitris Douloufakis established this winery in 1930, and today, his grandson Nikolas runs the show, holding close Dimitri's traditional practices. Nikolas makes a mere **1,000 cases** of the vidiano, grown in **certified organic vineyards** situated at about 1,800 feet above sea level. Borrowed from Domaine Douloufakis' US importer, Diamond Wine Importers, website, Nikolas says, "Crete has an advantage in the transition to natural cultivation – we never adopted unnatural methods. The only obstacle I face in getting certification is the certification fee."

Honeysuckle and hints of anise on the nose with some sweet stone fruit notes on the palate. It's crisp and refreshing and damn delicious. It drinks fast, with grilled fish, vegetables and daydreaming.