

**CLARET CABERNET FRANC VETRINO
SINGLE VINEYARD 2023,
ODESSOS URBAN WINERY,
BLACK SEA COAST, BULGARIA**



APPELLATION: Black Sea Coast, Bulgaria

GRAPES: 100% Cabernet Franc

VINEYARD: A single 14 year old vineyard located near the village of Vetrino, Varna region, in the Babuka area. The soil is alluvial and stony. The altitude is 300 m above sea level, 25 miles from the Black Sea coast.

WINEMAKING: The grapes are picked by hand in small boxes and transported to a cold room. The chilled grapes are sorted by hand and crushed in small open top fermenters. The crushed grapes are cooled and cold-soaked for 3 days until the desired color is achieved, after which they are pressed. The must naturally increases its temperature and begins spontaneous alcoholic fermentation. The temperature is controlled in the range of 18-22°C. After 14 days the wine is transferred to small Bulgarian barrels for malolactic fermentation. The wine is aged for 3 months in Bulgarian barrels on the fine lees and 3 months in a stainless-steel vessel. All Odessos wines are crafted with minimal intervention, appearance of noble lees is possible.

TECHNICAL FACTS: ABV: 13%, Total Acidity: 5 g/l, Residual Sugars: 4 g/l

COLOUR: Bright strawberry red.

NOSE: Intense red fruit aromas complemented by the typical pyrazine character of the grape variety.

PALATE: Elegant light to medium bodied claret, very fresh and fruity, with attractive cherry and raspberry notes along silky tannins, crisp acidity and vibrant fruity finish.

FOOD MATCH: Seafood, crustaceans, white meats, sausages and soft cheeses.

PRODUCTION: 2000 btls **DRINKING:** 2024-2026

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ODESSOS WINERY & THE VANKOV TEAM

Odessos is one of the new wave of Bulgarian wineries, located in the city of Varna on the Black Sea coast, with a groundbreaking and very modern concept and whose story began in 2016. After travelling around the world and gaining experience at some of the most prestigious wineries in Australia, New Zealand and Chile, the brothers Georgi and Vladislav Vankov came up with the idea of creating one of the first urban wineries in Bulgaria. Love for winemaking has been in their family for generations and the idea of creating Odessos was a natural continuation of this passion.

If they have learned anything from the endless hours of work in different wineries around the world, it was that the most valuable asset for a great wine is its terroir. This clarified the motto and philosophy of the winery - to pursue and present their own interpretation of the Northern Black Sea region, working with carefully selected vineyards of prime terroir around the seaside city.

Returning from each of their wine campaigns in New World countries brought more and more success to their winemaking experiments and helped the Vankov brothers gain the necessary experience and courage to make their official start in 2020 with their first vintage. This consisted of four wines - Sauvignon Blanc, Pinot Noir Rosé, Pinot Noir and Cabernet Franc. With their second vintage, they expanded the winery's portfolio, adding another Cabernet Franc from a different vineyard, Syrah, Riesling and a white from a local Bulgarian variety — Dimyat. With their third vintage, the team introduced another new label — Odessos Claret Blaskovo Single Vineyard 2022.

In March 2023, Odessos Cabernet Franc Kavarna Single Vineyard 2021 was selected for the ranking of Top 50 best Bulgarian wines by the Bulgarian wine media DiVino. A few months later the same wine also received a silver medal at the prestigious Decanter World Wine Awards.

