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Lyrarakis Psarades Vineyard Plyto, Crete, Greece

The lusciousness, minerality and steely tautness of the Cretan variety of plyto is on full show with this mouth-filling, almost fatty white wine and its trim, focused finish. Faintly herbal aromas of green melon, saltbush and lemon zest overlie a faint chalkiness, while its viscous presence of citrus flower-like fruit is both generous and refreshing thanks to its bright acidity. It's a wine that cries out for food, barbecued seafood preferably. JO



Theopetra Estate Limniona, PGI Meteora, Greece

An emerging high-end indigenous Greek red variety (also known as lemniona), limniona is being widely planted today. This has a peppery, earthy and rather meaty bouquet of dark cherries, plums, mint and dried flowers. Long and drying with sour-edged fruit underpinned by firm, rod-like tannins, it becomes more sumptuous and gravelly with breathing, finishing with shape and minerality while retaining some rustic charm. JO