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Kakheti, Georgia

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Re-establishing their family's winemaking roots in Georgia, brothers Levan and Georgi Chychynadze operate and run a small winery in the Kakheti region, Eastern Georgia, about 2 hours from the country's capital, Tbilisi. Kakheti is Georgia's most significant winemaking region in terms of quality, quantity, and history, with evidence showing that wine has been made here for several thousand years! Along the banks of the Alazani River, the continental climate, and iron-rich soils, provide ideal conditions for quality viticulture.

Established in 2017, in homage to their Mother, they named the estate after her nickname, Tiko. Levan and Georgi, alongside Levan's wife Maria, have ample experience in the wine industry, combined over 40 years, with 50 vintages under their belt, across 4 different continents and 10 countries. Using their international training, modern winemaking technology, and traditional Georgian equipment and techniques, they create quality wines, from native Georgian varieties, which reflect Georgia's rich winemaking traditions.

Tiko's Orange Kisi instantly became a team favorite when we tasted it; a traditionally made orange wine, which has been fermented and aged on the skins for up to 6 months, in traditional clay pots known as *qvevri*. Serious concentration, complexity, amplified aromatics, and depth of flavour going on here. And their Rkatsiteli and Saperavi are knockout examples of these unique indigenous varieties. Tiko is the first Georgian agency Astrum have worked with, we are so excited to be able to represent this incredible country and a quality-orientated, traditional winery such as Tiko!

"One of Georgia's rising stars – in my opinion – Levan Chychynadze of Tiko Estate in Kakheti, who has returned home after years of winemaking experience in USA & Australia with his Argentinian wife. Now making an eclectic selection with his brother Giorgi. Loved his Pet-Nat, Rkatsiteli, Orange Kisi & Saperavi 2019 available from Astrum Wine Cellars in the U.K. One of the serious small family artisans now emerging in modern Georgia.. with great plans for the future. Watch this space." ***Rose Murray Brown MW (September 2022)***

(Orange Kisi 2021) "Gingerbread spice, orange peel studded with cloves, gorgeous phenolics. Pure rose and potpourri with hints of Turkish delight. Medicinal and green with rosemary oil and citronella. This is not for the faint of heart. You'll feel the dry tannins and a distinct bitterness of orange peel with intense sweet spice, but it is all genuine and sensational." ***94 points, Sylvia Wu, Decanter Wines of the Year 2023 (September 2022)***

Code	Label name	Vintage	Alcohol	Closure type	Case size
White Wine					
TK0524	Mtsvane	2024	13.0%	Cork	6x0.75lt
TK0422	Rkatsiteli	2022	12.5%	Cork	6x0.75lt
Orange Wine					
TK0223	Orange Kisi	2023	13.5%	Cork	6x0.75lt
Red Wine					
TK0724	Saperavi Solo	2024	13.0%	Cork	6x0.75lt
TK0322	Saperavi	2022	14.0%	Cork	6x0.75lt