

KHIKHVI

Native to East Georgia, where it is widespread. This variety is included in the official list of the wine varieties recommended in the provinces of Kartli and Kakheti in East Georgia. Since it is early ripening, Khikhvi is recommended for mountainous regions of Georgia.



Ampelographic characters: the edge of the young bud is covered in thick hairs; the other leaves are a little tomentose. The adult leaf is large, round and three-lobed. The upper sinuses are small and lyre-shaped, while the lower sinuses are small. The petiolar sinus is open, V- or lyre-shaped. The teeth of the leaf are triangular and convex on both sides. The lower side is covered in thick hairs. The cluster is medium-sized, conical or conical-cylindrical, winged, sometimes slightly compact. The medium-sized oval berry has a green-yellow colour. The skin is thin. The pulp is juicy with a pleasant and typical varietal taste.

Cultural aptitude: semi-upright growth habit, medium-vigorous.

Training and pruning systems: the growing period is shorter than average. The double Guyot with two fruit-bearing canes is the mainly used system of training.

Bud-burst period: late.

Ripening time: average.

Yield: average/low.

Susceptibility to diseases and adverse conditions: low susceptibility to downy mildew, highly susceptible to powdery mildew.

Enological potential: Dry Khikhvi table wines have an original and typical, fresh, full, elegant bouquet with a harmonious taste. This variety can also be used to make semi-sweet wines from grapes with 24-26% of sugar. A high quality "Tokay"-style sweet wine can be produced with grapes from late harvest with a 30% sugar content.

Clones in propagation: VCR37.

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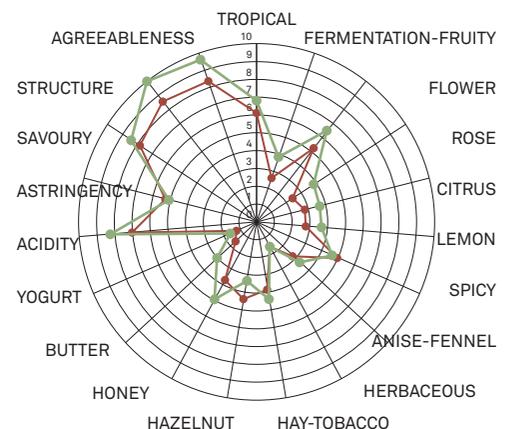
Origin: Georgia



	▼ VARIETY AVERAGE									
VIGOUR	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	□	□
CLUSTER	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	□
BERRY	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	□
YIELD	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	□	□

SENSORY ANALYSIS

● Variety average ● VCR37



Description: biotype of limited vigour, with medium-sized or bigger, cylindrical-pyramidal, tendentially sparse cluster, often with a developed wing. Medium-sized slightly ovoid berry with a thin skin of yellow colour and greenish hues and a juicy pulp. Good fertility, low yield. The wine has a straw-yellow colour with golden shades; the bouquet is complex and original due to the presence of fruity and sweet floral notes (white flowers, rose), balanced with fresh citrus aromas which make it lively and harmonious. Warm, smooth, persistent on the palate with a pleasing bitterish aftertaste. It can be consumed fresh or in the sweet version, obtained from late harvested grapes.