

## Zlatan Otok The Winery Built into the Sea

The story of our winery began in the small village called Sveta Nedjelja, on the island of Hvar. In the beautiful vineyards on unique southern slopes of the island, where Augustinian monks began growing grapes in the 16th century.

The founder of our winery and our father Zlatan Plenković, humble fisherman born in this village, filled his first bottle of wine in 1986 when he founded small family business, and today we remember him as one of the first private winemakers and initiator of modern wine making in this area.



After only three years, we received protection for top

quality wine, and then we started with larger production and sales of our wines.

In 1991, we founded the company Vitis, which changed its name to Zlatan otok two years later. Looking back, we know we couldn't have had a better mentor than our father. He passed on to us his knowledge and love for wine from early age. As kids, we would rather go to the winery after school than home, and very quickly we became his partners.

The guiding idea in Zlatan otok has always been to promote Croatian wine and wine making and to use the potential of a specific Dalmatian region and turn it into a high quality wine. From the very beginning, we are focused on raising the quality of wine from indigenous Croatian varieties.

