



**It's Awards Time for Navarino Icons!  
Navarino Icons Sesame Seed Bar Named sofi™ Awards Finalist**

**Athens, 19 May 2015** – [Navarino Icons](#), the gourmet food line of Greek Products created by Costa Navarino, the prime sustainable destination in the pristine Peloponnese area of Greece, is the proud recipient of three more distinctions in top-ranked international competitions.



Considered to be the world's first original energy snack as ancient Greek athletes believed its nutritious ingredients enhanced their performance, the sesame seed bar with honey is a healthy snack of few calories. The Pasteli bar was recently selected as a finalist at sofi™ Awards, in the Sweet Snack category. Taking place in New York, the awards are one of the top distinctions within the food industry.

People who care about their healthy diet will find their new passion with the Navarino Icons Sesame Seed Bar (Pasteli), the typical and characteristic Messinian confectionery made of the best quality sesame seeds and pure honey.



Navarino Icons Organic Extra Virgin Olive Oil, produced without any chemical fertilizers or pesticides, using time-honored organic methods, won the **Silver Award** at the New York International Olive Oil Competition, while competing among more than 700 olive oils from 25 different countries. The winning olive oils are coveted by chefs, food buyers and discerning consumers everywhere who value extra virgin olive oils of the very highest quality.

Navarino Icons Estate Grown Extra Virgin Olive Oil was recently awarded at the prestigious Los Angeles International Extra Virgin Olive Oil Competition 2015, for the second time in a row, for its high quality taste and distinctive flavour.

The "Los Angeles International Extra Virgin Olive Oil Competition", is considered to be one of the major international extra virgin olive oil competitions ranked by the World's Best Olive Oils Organization.

Continuing a 4,000 year tradition of olive oil making in the Peloponnese, the Navarino Icons extra virgin olive oil is made from the acclaimed Koroneiki variety olives from the estates of Costa Navarino, sustainably grown in centuries-old groves and carefully gathered by hand without mechanical means.



Navarino Icons reflects the desire to acquaint people with the rich culinary heritage of the Peloponnese and promote its authentic characteristics worldwide. The range draws on the age-old traditions of the region and is aligned with Costa Navarino's philosophy to promote this undiscovered yet accessible part of Greece, while protecting and preserving

its natural beauty and heritage. At the heart of the company's philosophy lies its strong commitment to environmental responsibility along with a genuine respect for local traditions and communities.

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**About Navarino Icons**

Navarino Icons creates products from Messinia and the Peloponnese, which are inspired by the rich culinary history and traditions of the area, with the aim of getting people acquainted with the beauty and heritage of the local culture through products of the highest quality. All products are produced by small scale local producers and in limited quantities, certified with ISO 22000: 2005, TUV NORD, to ensure the highest quality production in every step of the production process.

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