



## AZIENDA AGRICOLA DURIN

### Riviera Ligure di Ponente Vermentino

The Basso family tends some 70 separate vineyards, both in the plains around the village of Ortovero and on the region's terraced and steep hillsides, three miles away from the sea as the crow flies. Altitude here ranges from as low as 150 feet to as high as 2,100 feet; terroir is equally varied. This is the inspired madness of vine growing in Liguria—so much so that there are only a few dozen full-time producers in the entire region. Yet for those stubborn, inspired few, what Liguria can give is nothing less than extraordinary. The thread that connects the wines of Liguria is indeed the sea: whites are limpid and invigorating, reds tangy and saline-kissed. Each bottle begs for Mediterranean cuisine and lively company.

**WINERY:** Azienda Agricola Durin

**WINEMAKER:** Antonio Basso

**ESTABLISHED:** 1920s

**REGION:** ITALIA • Liguria • Ortovero

**APPELLATION:** Riviera Ligure di Ponente DOC

**BLEND:** 100% Vermentino

**VINEYARDS:** A selection of fruit from estate vineyards of varying altitude and exposition, near the towns of Ortovero and Garlenda

**AGE OF VINES:** 20-40 years

**WINEMAKING:** Hand-harvested. Fermented on indigenous yeasts in temperature-controlled tanks. Aged in tank on fine lees.

**TASTING IMPRESSIONS:** Aromas of honeycomb, citrus, yellow wildflowers. Delicate and fresh, very juicy; finish suggests lightly bitter almonds.

**PAIRING SUGGESTIONS:** Fresh seafood; pesto dishes; baked fish



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