

AZIENDA AGRICOLA GARLIDER Blauburgunder (Pinot Nero)

In the heart of the breathtaking Isarco Valley in Alto Adige, just south of Bressanone, you'll find the organic family estate of Azienda Agricola Garlider. Winemaker Christian Kerschbaumer and his wife, Veronika, not only care for native regional grapes like Grüner Veltliner, Müller-Thurgau and Sylvaner but also cultivate the only Pinot Nero vines in the valley. For years Christian's father, Alois, sold his high-quality crop to the local cooperative, a common practice for many small growers in this mountainous region. Yet since 2000, the younger generation has inspired nothing less than a vinous revolution here, showing the world how intensely flavored and character-rich Isarco Valley wines can be.



WINERY: Azienda Agricola Garlider
WINEMAKER: Christian Kerschbaumer

ESTABLISHED: 2000

REGION: ITALY • Alto Adige • Velturno (Feldthurns)

APPELLATION: Vigneti delle Dolomiti / Weinberg Dolomiten IGT

BLEND: 100% Blauburgunder (Pinot Nero)

VINEYARDS: Estate vines grow at altitude, between 1,620 and 2,400 feet, on steep slopes. Soils are stony, rich in quartz and granite, with iron-rich clay.

AGE OF VINES: 45 years, on average

WINEMAKING: Hand-harvested. Destemmed; fermented on indigenous yeasts in temperature-controlled, stainless steel tanks. Aged in French/ German oak barrels (from two- to 10-years old) for one year; then in tank for six months. Bottled with light filtration.

TASTING IMPRESSIONS: Aromas of fresh red berry, violets, red plum, light spice, some forest floor. Bright, airy, juicy; refined, silky tannins.

PAIRING SUGGESTIONS: Air-dried salami; grilled chicken with herbs;

smoked meats

