SUDTIROL ALTO ADIGE DOC

CANTINA KURTATSCH Pinot Grigio

There are mountain wines, and then there are wines from wind-swept peaks so high they seem to be grown in the sky. This is the glory of Alto Adige, a dramatic wine region in the northeast Italy, and the home to the century-old cantina of Kurtatsch. Here on the border with Austria, it is white grapes that reign supreme, grown at altitudes that top 3,000 feet. The village of Kurtatsch (Cortaccia in Italian) is particularly blessed when it comes to terroir, with a wide range of soils that suit perfectly both native and international grapes. Kurtatsch since the early 1900s has been the representative for the area's best growers and the source of its finest, most expressive wines.

WINERY: Cantina Kurtatsch WINEMAKERS: Othmar Doná ESTABLISHED: 1900 REGION: ITALY • Alto Adige • Cortaccia APPELLATION: Alto Adige DOC

BLEND: 100% Pinot Grigio

VINEYARDS: Vineyards in the villages of Kurtatsch and Penon, at some 1,500 feet in altitude, facing southeast on very steep slopes. Soils are mostly limestone, with lots of gravel.

AGE OF VINES: 15 years, on average

WINEMAKING: Hand-harvested. Fermented on selected yeasts in temperature-controlled, stainless steel tanks Aged on fine lees in tank for a minimum of five months.

TASTING IMPRESSIONS: Aromas of fresh herbs, white fruit, lemon zest, crushed stones, sea salt. Light on the tongue yet deeply flavored.

PAIRING SUGGESTIONS: As an aperitif; shellfish or fish soup



