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2018 Cave Gargantua Pinot Gris Valle d'Aosta

Pinot Gris is not referred to as Pinot Grigio in Valle d'Aosta and can be exceptional when the grapes are grown at higher altitudes. At last official count, there are only 15 hectares of Pinot Gris planted in the region. Much different than other regions in NE Italy, here in Valle d'Aosta Pinot Gris shows archetypal orchard fruit aroma's and flavors and boasts true depth.

2016 vintage was very good overall in Valle d'Aosta. It will be followed by the dismal (in terms of quantity) 2017 vintage where due to frost and freezing, production is down 70% from 2016.

Cave Gargantua is the story of Laurent Cuneaz and his family who are based in Gressan. Named after the giant mountain depression formed from glacial debris known as Gargantua, Laurent developed his passion for vineyards and wine from his grandfather on those slopes. Their connection to their land is deep. Laurent and his brother André are renting some new vineyards in Morgex, too, known for its white wines.

Total vineyard area: 2.1 ha , total production @ 8000 bottles

Elevation: 800- 900 meters above sea level in commune of Gressan

Bottle production: 2000 bottles 2018 Pinot Gris

Vinification: Stainless steel 80% 2nd year Barrique 20 %

Steel aging: 5 months, Wood aging 4 months

Wine style: Alpine Energy & delicacy

Alcohol: 15%