

# Falkenstein

## Pinot Bianco/Weissburgunder

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**Winery Location:** Naturno, Alto Adige, Italy

**Name of Wine:** Name of the grape

**Grape(s):** 100% Pinot Bianco

**Designation:** Alto Adige Val Venosta Pinot Bianco DOC

**Vineyard Sources:** This wine is sourced from family vines located in Val Venosta

**Vineyard Size:** 3 hectares, 600-900m above sea level

**Age of Vines:** Oldest vines up to 30 years

**Soil:** Sandy and dry soils (glacial moraines), rich in minerals (gneiss, slate, granite, mica and quartz)

**Skin Maceration Time:** None

**Fermentation & Aging:** Fermentation takes place in 10-40HL acacia casks and then ages on the lees for 10 months in these casks with battonage weekly until month 5, then it's done monthly. The wine then spends another year in bottle before release

**Annual Production:** 15,000

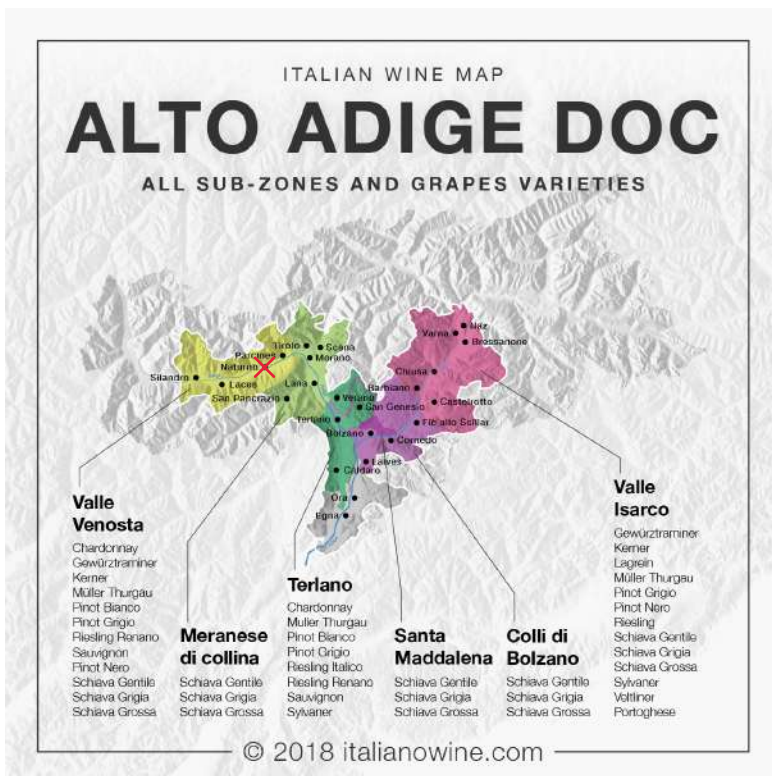
**Additional Technical Information:**

Filtration agents? Light filtration during bottling

Stabilization agents? None

Yeast utilized - wild yeast

**Organic/Biodynamic?** Organic but not certified



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## Weissburgunder Phileo

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**Name of Wine:** German for Pinot Blanc + Phileo (short for Philomena), a homage to the mother of winemaker & owner Franz Pratzner

**Grape(s):** 100% Pinot Blanc

**Designation:** Alto Adige Val Venosta Pinot Blanc DOC

**Vineyard Sources:** This wine is sourced from family vines located in Val Venosta

**Vineyard Size:** 0.4 hectares, 650m above sea level

**Age of Vines:** Oldest vines up to 30 years

**Soil:** Sandy and dry soils (glacial moraines), rich in minerals (gneiss, slate, granite, mica and quartz)

**Skin Maceration Time:** None

**Fermentation & Aging:** Spontaneous fermentation in barrique followed by aging in a combination of one year inbarrique & stainless steel for 5 months. The wine then spends another 31 months in bottle

**Annual Production:** 2,000

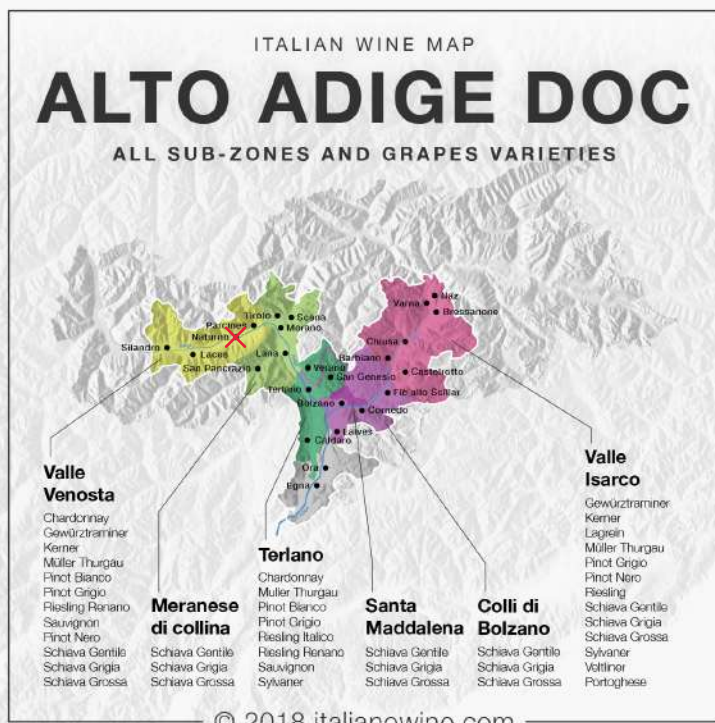
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Stabilization agents? None

Yeast utilized - Wild yeast

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## Sauvignon

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**Winery Location:** Naturno, Alto Adige, Italy

**Name of Wine:** Name of the grape

**Grape(s):** 100% Sauvignon Blanc

**Designation:** Alto Adige Val Venosta Sauvignon DOC

**Vineyard Sources:** This wine is sourced from family vines located in Val Venosta

**Vineyard Size:** 1.5 hectares, 600-700m above sea level

**Age of Vines:** Oldest vines up to 25 years

**Soil:** Sandy and dry soils (glacial moraines), rich in minerals (gneiss, slate, granite, mica and quartz)

**Skin Maceration Time:** None

**Fermentation & Aging:**

Fermentation takes place in 10-40HL acacia casks and then ages on the lees for 10 months in these casks with battonage weekly for the first 5 months, then monthly. The wine then spends another year in bottle before release.

**Annual Production:** 7,000

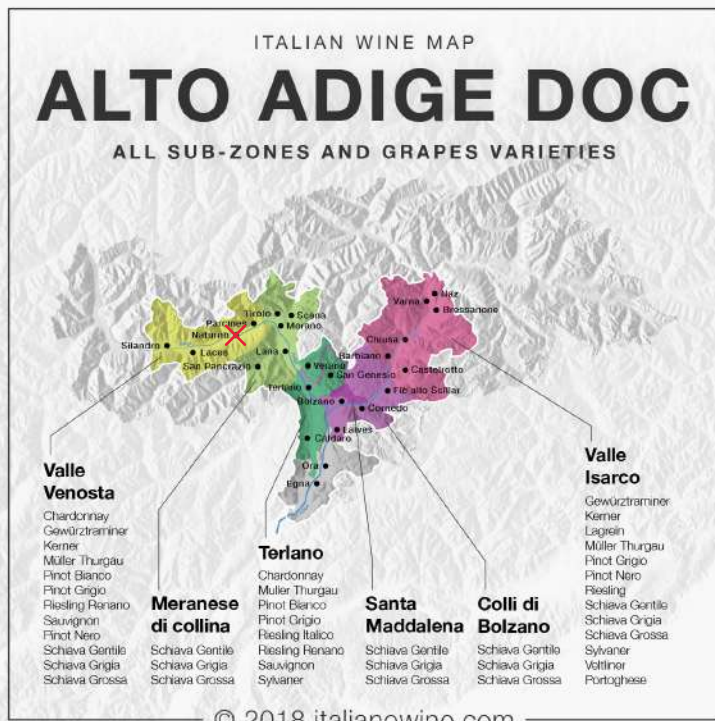
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Stabilization agents? None

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## Riesling

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**Name of Wine:** Name of the grape

**Grape(s):** 100% Riesling

**Designation:** Alto Adige Val Venosta Riesling DOC

**Vineyard Sources:** This wine is sourced from family vines located in Val Venosta

**Vineyard Size:** 6 hectares, 600-900m above sea level

**Age of Vines:** Oldest vines up to 35 years

**Soil:** Sandy and dry soils (glacial moraines), rich in minerals (gneiss, slate, granite, mica and quartz)

**Skin Maceration Time:** none

**Fermentation & Aging:**

Fermentation takes place in 10-40HL acacia barrels then ages on the lees for 10 months in these casks with battonage weekly for the first 5 months, then monthly. The wine then spends another year in bottle before release.

**Annual Production:** 45,000

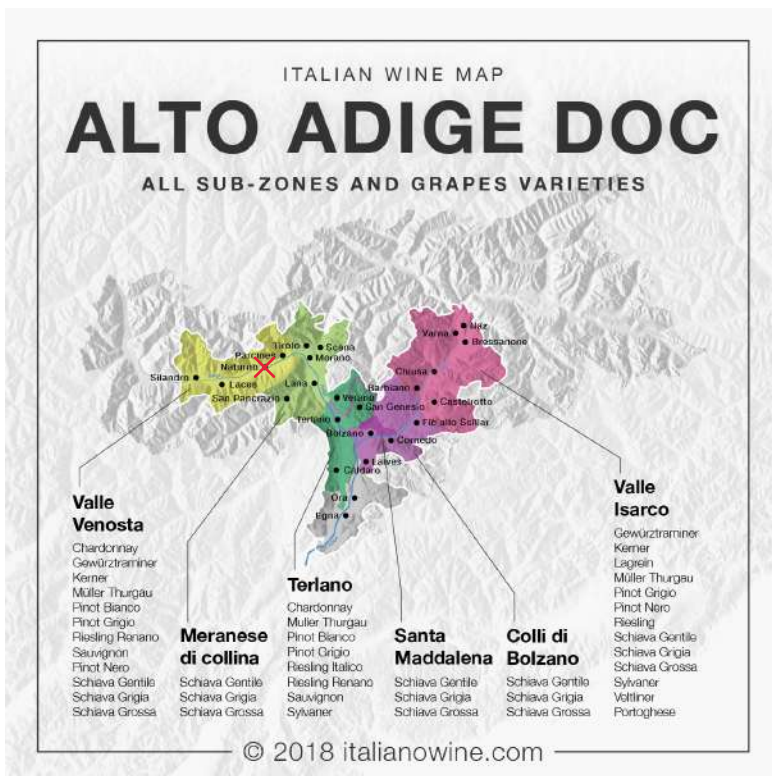
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## Riesling Alte Rebe

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**Winery Location:** Naturno, Alto Adige, Italy

**Name of Wine:** Name of the grape + Old Vines (Alte Rebe)

**Grape(s):** 100% Riesling

**Designation:** Alto Adige Val Venosta Riesling DOC

**Vineyard Sources:** This wine is sourced from family vines located in Val Venosta

**Vineyard Size:** 0.4 hectares, 650m above sea level

**Age of Vines:** Oldest vines up to 30 years

**Soil:** Sandy and dry soils (glacial moraines); with a strong slate vein

**Skin Maceration Time:** None

**Fermentation & Aging:** Spontaneous fermentation takes place in 10 HL acacia barrels with battonage weekly for the first 5 months, then monthly. The wine then spends another 5 months in stainless steel and one year in bottle before release.

**Annual Production:** 1,000

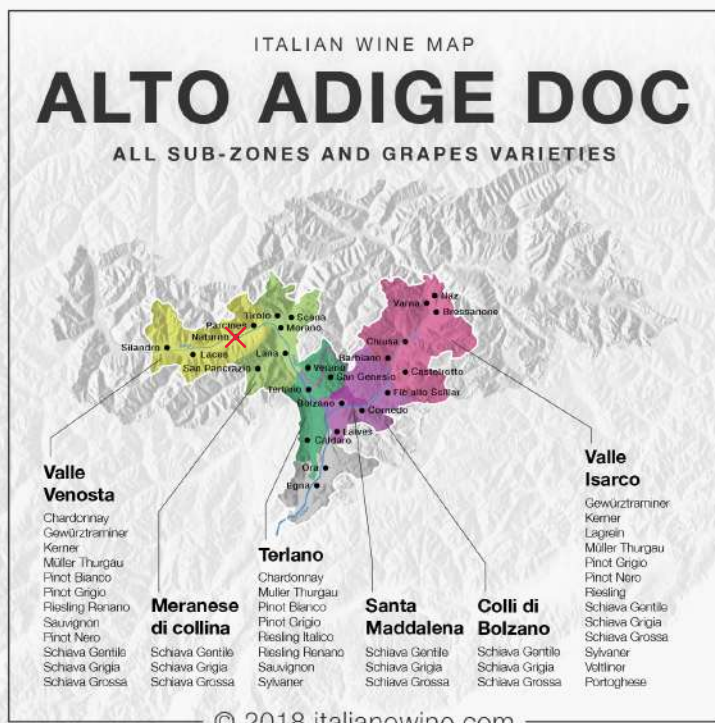
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## Pinot Nero/Blauburgunder

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**Winery Location:** Naturno, Alto Adige, Italy

**Name of Wine:** Name of the grape

**Grape(s):** 100% Pinot Nero

**Designation:** Alto Adige Val Venosta Pinot Nero DOC

**Vineyard Sources:** This wine is sourced from family vines located in Val Venosta

**Vineyard Size:** 2 hectares, 600-700m above sea level

**Age of Vines:** Oldest vines up to 35 years

**Soil:** Sandy and dry soils (glacial moraines), rich in minerals (gneiss, slate, granite, mica and quartz)

**Skin Maceration Time:** 3-4 weeks

### Fermentation & Aging:

Following harvest, the grapes are left in large oak vats for 3-4 weeks as they are continuously mixed and macerated by hand. Next the wine is transferred to French oak barrique, the wine completes malolactic and remains on the lees for 12 months. Following the barrel aging the wine is racked to stainless steel for approx. 7 months. Once bottled, the wine sees another year in cellar.

**Annual Production:** 6,000

### Additional Technical Information:

Filtration agents? No filtration

Stabilization agents? None

Yeast utilized - wild yeast

**Organic/Biodynamic?** Organic but not certified

