

Azienda Agricola Gagliasso

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Azienda Agricola Mario Gagliasso is located in the town of La Morra, south of Piedmont, in the province of Cuneo, in the Langhe area. The winery offers one of the most beautiful views over the Langhe area. La Morra is located at 513 meters above sea-level (13 km from Alba), on the top of an imposing hill with the Alps and the Monviso as a background. The hill is planted with vines, forming huge waves and creating an amphitheater of rare beauty.

The Gagliasso company was founded as "Farm of Gagliasso Michele and Sons" in the 1960s. Mario Gagliasso worked in his father's company, and took over ownership in the 1980's. He made technical improvements, increased plantings (and replanted) and implemented methods to ensure dedication to terroir for top quality production. The yields are low, and minimal chemicals are used.

Mario's son Luca is now the oenologist; also managing the cellars as well as their exports. Daughter Nicolette is also involved in winemaking, as well as the family restaurant "Il Torriglione" with their mother, Luciana.

Winemaking is traditional – pumping & punching are done by hand, and the only technology used is for temperature control during fermentation in stainless steel tanks. The fining takes place in French oak barrels for the aged wines, while stainless steel tanks store young and fresh wines.

The Gagliasso family produces around 5,000 cases: 40% Barolo, 30% Barbera, 20% Dolcetto and 10% Chardonnay. They have around 250 barriques and 6 large barrels.

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