

# **GRIGNASCO**





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# COLLINE NOVARESI DOC WHITE **MARIAPIA**

**Grape variety:** 100% indigenous white grapes (see regulations)

**Production area:** Prato Sesia

**Exposure of the vineyards:** South, South-West

Altitude of the vineyards: 400-460 metres above sea level

**Surface area:** 1 hectare

**Age of the vineyards:** 0.5 ha 6 years; 0.5 ha 4 years

**Soil composition:** land rich in porphyry which makes the soil acidic

and sterile

**Training system:** Guyot

Number of vines per hectare: 3,800 plants/hectare

Yield per hectare: 8,000 kilograms/hectare

Harvest: second/third decade of September, manual selection and

harvesting

**Vinification:** Immediately after the harvest, the grapes are destemmed and crushed; the crushed grapes are left to macerate for 4 days at a low temperature in steel tanks. The grapes are then pressed and the fermentation of the must is activated. At the end of alcoholic fermentation, destemming and sulphurisation take place.

**Aging:** 6/8 months in steel tanks. On the market 4 months after harvest

## COLOUR

Straw yellow

## **SMELL**

Maceration on the skins enriches the must with aromatic substances, resulting in a wine rich in perfumes and creating a bouquet of tertiary aromas such as ripe fruit and spices

## TASTE

Characterised by an important freshness, with scents of small white mountain flowers, followed by a crunchy, yellow fruit, citrus fruit and a toasted almond finish

## **PAIRINGS**

Starters, first courses, fish, white meats and low-fat cheeses