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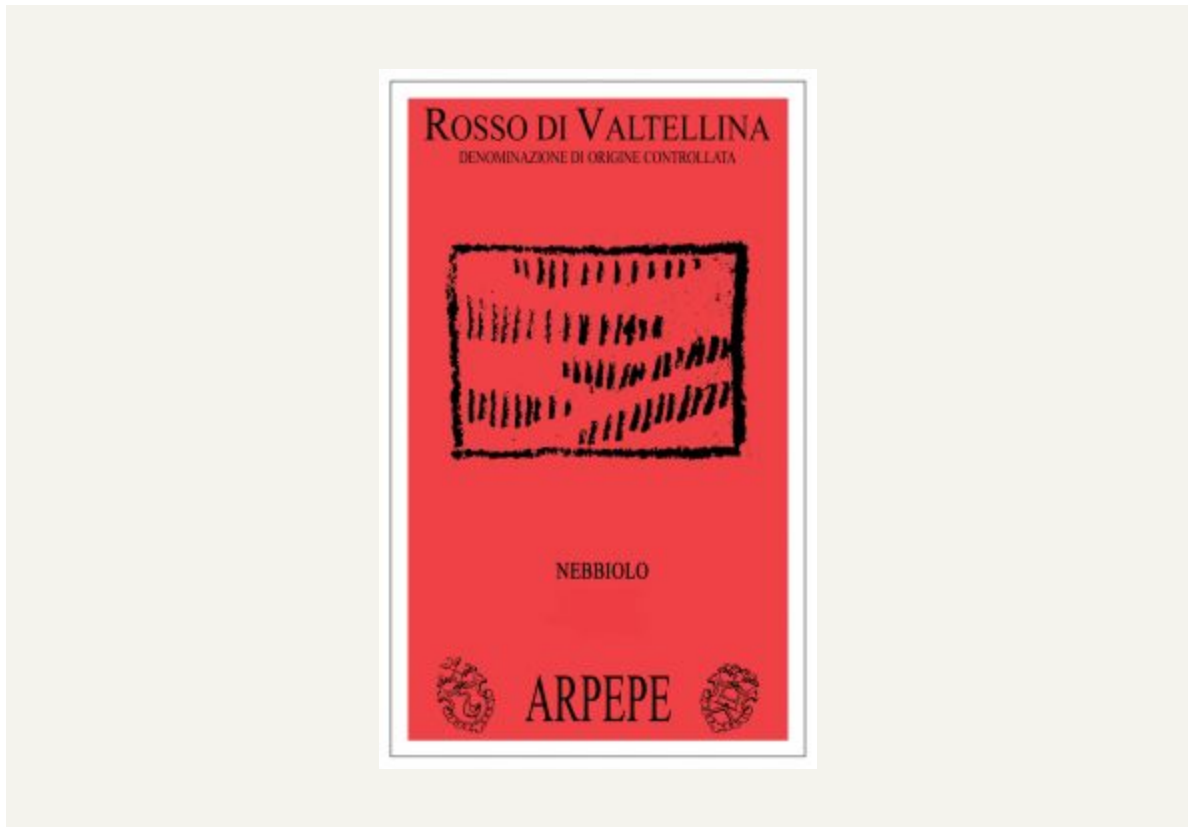
The Perego family has been growing grapes on the granite terraces of Valtellina since 1860.

They work only with Nebbiolo, or Chiavennasca as it is called in these parts, growing the grapes up to seven hundred metres above sea level on sheer, south-facing, sunlit vines that dig straight into rock. The vines are so far north into the alps they are practically in Switzerland and the resulting fruit is intensely mineral.

Production is very much of the old-school and labour is intense, the hills making it very difficult to reach the fruit at all. Everything across their thirteen hectares of vines is done by hand and in the cantina the family exercises a soft touch with famous patience. Favouring long, gentle macerations, the wines are left to rest in large, old chestnut casks until they are deemed ready for release.

The transparency of the grape, the singular landscape and the Peregos' gentle hand in the cantina make for wines that are up there with Italy's greats.

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ROSSO DI VALTELLINA
2023

Nebbiolo that over-delivers in every way, this comes from vines of more than fifty years old planted over granite from the lower parts of their parcels across the various crus at around four hundred metres above sea level. The grapes were macerated for a month in tini, before being pressed off to chestnut casks until the following spring. From a cool, classic vintage this is the perfect introduction to the kind of pale, delicate and perfumed Mountain Nebbiolo this family does so well.