



**Working the steep vineyards of Vermentino (Azienda Giacomelli)**

## **Liguria**

**The winter was mild, there were rains in the springtime. It rained a few days at the end of June and at the beginning of July and then the weather was dry and good throughout the whole harvest.**

**CASTELNUOVO MAGRA (Province of La Spezia)**

*Roberto Petacchi owner of Azienda Agricola Giacomelli (Colli di Luni Vermentino DOC, Colli di Luni Rosso DOC, Liguria di Levante IGT):* “The harvest was very good, the yield and the quality were both good. This year we worked in the vineyard very well. We started picking Merlot on the 7<sup>th</sup> of September, we continued with Vermentino and we finished with Sangiovese on the 24<sup>th</sup> of September. We are now racking off the Vermentino and starting the bâtonnage. The wines have a good balance between acidity and alcohol strength, they are full in the mouth with a good structure and they are fruity. This year the grape yield of the reds was higher as some new vineyards started producing. We made the whole range of our wines. ”