



GUERRIERI RIZZARDI

## COSTEGGIOLA

2016

Soave Classico DOP

### VINEYARD:

The grapes are manually picked from the best vines of the single, hillside, vineyard of Costeggiola; the vines are up to 47 years old, in which Garganega is at its best. This vineyard has an elevated south aspect most suitable to bringing out the best in the vines.

**Soil:** brown volcanic stony surface on clay and limestone soil.

**Surface area:** 15 ha

**Vine density per hectare:** 2,500 to 4,000

**Training:** Simple guyot and pergola

### WINEMAKING & AGEING:

All grapes are de-stemmed then follows the alcoholic fermentation in cement tanks for 10 days at between 15°C to 16°C. No malolactic fermentation.

**Grapes:** Garganega 70% and Chardonnay 30%

**Maturation:** Several months on lees in cement and stainless steel tanks

**First bottling:** February 2016

**Production:** limited production of 15,000 bottles

### ANALYSIS:

**Alcohol:** 12.60 %

**Total acidity:** 5.3 g/l

**PH:** 3.46

**Residual sugar:** 1.2 g/l

### PRESS:

- **90 points** – Vinous may/June 2017
- **87 points** – Gilbert & Gaillard Wine Guide 2017

### TASTING NOTES:

Subtle, complex nose with stone fruit, biscuit and light floral notes. A richer and more complex wine than most vintages, 2016 shows the Costeggiola vineyard at its best, concentrated but with freshness and a mineral backbone which carries through to a long and persistent finish. (DS)

**Food:** white meat (poultry and rabbit); goat's milk cheese; meaty fish; Italian starters.

**Drink:** from 2017 to 2020+

