

THE GRANDS CRUS

The term Grand Cru indicates a top-quality wine, and has been applied to some of the region's wines for 30 years.

FROM EARLY DAYS TO THE PRESENT

In 1988, **Salgesch** was effectively the first place in **Valais** to establish the requirements a Grand Cru wine must fulfil. Its **Pinot Noir Grand Cru** is therefore subject to limits on yield (800g/m²) and to strict rules governing vinification (the addition of sugar, and vinification and maturing in barrels are prohibited).

In 1994, **Saint-Léonard** followed suit, with 2 wines : Chasselas (Fendant) and Pinot Noir.

Finally, in 2015, **Sierre Grand Cru** began offering Grand Cru wines made from the following 4 grape varieties : Arvine, Marsanne Blanche (Ermitage), Cornalin and Syrah, grouping together 6 different towns and villages (Sierre, Miège, Venthône, Veyras, Lens and Crans-Montana), a first in **Valais**.