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## featuring PICOLLO

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It is matter of fairness and courtesy. Enjoy the reading! Paolo Boselli

### **Azienda Agricola Piccolo Ernesto, Frazione Rovereto di Gavi, Piemonte**

One thousand feet above sea level in the beige colored calcareous clays surrounding the tiny village of Gavi, the Cortese varietal has been making some of the most food friendly white wines on the planet since at least the 10th Century. In that context la famiglia Piccolo, with just three generations of wine growing experience may seem like Gianni Come Latelies but they are fast learners and their wines have become WINE EXPO-ista cult favorites in short order. The wines speak directly from the hearts of their traditionally cultivated vineyards (25-30 year old vines with no pesticides ever used):

#### **Piccolo Gavi 2005, Piemonte \$10.99**

Classic, crisp, DRY and minerally, these are just screaming for Grilled Shrimp, Sushi, Lemon Chicken, a nice Frito Misto, Fish Tacos e Ceviche, you get the idea. They also offer fabulous value for money and have been a huge hits amongst WINE EXPO-isti from the first day we landed them.

#### **Piccolo Gavi del Comune di Gavi 2005, Piemonte \$16.99**

#### **Piccolo Gavi del Comune di Gavi *Rughè* 2005, Piemonte \$21.99**

With lush textures and riper flavors derived from the cantina's oldest vines, this can compete with Cal Chards and even mid level White Burgs at twice to thrice this bargain price. Get some really big Scallops or even Lobster Tails and make brochettes (grilled 'natch!), you can thank us later...