



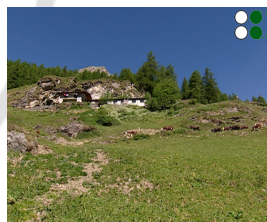
The Ancient live of Girod's Family

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This short film tells the true story of the Girod family from the Valle d'Aosta. There's is a traditional way of life, unchanged for generations, in total harmony with nature. The Girod family have been Alpinists for generations. It is a hard life, characterised by physical hardship and the loneliness of the open mountain spaces. It would not be possible, if the whole family, from grandparents to grandchildren, were not involved.

The Graian Alps, the highest mountains in Europe, form the backdrop to this story. They are a fascinating natural environment of wide blue skies and a never-ending panorama of snow-capped peaks. They are home to many rare and beautiful animals - from the chamois to the ibex, from the wood grouse to the golden eagle.

However, today, even the highest and most inaccessible peaks are regularly climbed and the region is beginning one great theme park of mass tourism, a fairground for visitors from all over Europe. If the world around has changed so drastically, what, if anything, remains of the ancient alpine culture that was once so closely linked to nature? Are there still people prepared to forgo four-wheel drives and refrigerators, televisions and electricity?



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