

Pinot Gris

2016 WILLAMETTE VALLEY

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-Wine Enthusiast

TASTING

Aromas of pear, pineapple, and papaya with a touch of sarsaparilla. Clean and crisp with additional tropical fruit flavors, lime zest and grapefruit. An incredibly versatile wine, perfect for pairing with grilled seafood or fresh oysters.

WINEMAKING

The winemaking team strives to deliver complex terroir character and beautiful varietal expression in our Pinot Gris, by using a gentle “hands-off” approach. We believe the very best Pinot Gris is derived from what we pick in the vineyard more than by what we do in the winery. Grapes were handpicked, handsorted, and carefully destemmed.

Vineyard sources were Kliewer, Barakel, Houston, and Five Fourteen. Kliewer is a wonderful site in the southern Willamette Valley. With their Bellpine soil of silty clay loam, the fruit profile from this part of the valley adds flesh and richness to our Pinot Gris blend. To further diversify the soil types and altitudes, we also sourced grapes from the central valley, in the town of Independence, at Barakel Vineyards.

VINTAGE

Similar to the last two vintages, the 2016 growing season continued to push the envelope for defining the new normal in Oregon as one of the earliest on record. An unusually warm spring gave way to moderate summer conditions, which provided even growing conditions through véraison. Though it was an intense growing season due to the early start, the fruit produced throughout the state resulted in wonderful concentration and complexity with characteristic natural acidity.

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GOLD MEDAL FROM SUNSET MAGAZINE, OCTOBER 2017

GOLD MEDAL FROM 2017 NW FOOD & WINE FESTIVAL

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SILVER MEDAL FROM 2017 THE OREGON WINE COMPETITION



Appellation.....Willamette Valley
Varietal Blend100% Pinot Gris
Harvest DateSeptember 2016
Bottle Date.....March 2017
Cooperage.....100% Stainless Steel
Production1320 cases
Alcohol.....13.5%

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