

2015 PINOT GRIS

Sustainable Wine NZ Registration Number: SW593A66E2CD

Winemakers Notes

Our 2015 wine is based on Pinot Gris from our Huapai vineyard. The weather conditions were fabulous in 2014/2015 and so our 2015 fruit was some of the best we have seen from our Huapai vineyard. The fruit was hand harvested on March 13, 14 and 15 and whole bunch pressed. Tank fermentation followed and then the wine rested on its yeast lees for a period of time, before stabilizing and bottling.

Analysis

Alc 13% **Acid** 6.0 g/L **Res Sugar** 5.6g/L **pH** 3.26

Tasting Notes

Colour: Very pale in its youth, but we know from experience that New Zealand Pinot Gris will develop onion skins tints with age.

Bouquet: Subtle, yet exotic. A melange of apple, pear, a touch of earthiness and a pinch of spice.

Palate: Medium in body, with an exceptional balance between fruit sweetness and acidity. The finish is long, spicy and textural.

Cellaring

Experience tells us that New Zealand Pinot Gris' are best drunk young and fresh.

Food Matches

This wine will be suitable with fish, white meats and salads

Suggested Wine List Description

Delicate aromas of spice and floral notes intermingle with mineral tones. Sweet fruit adds texture and richness, rounding out this lovely balanced wine.

Independent Reviewer's Comment

"It is beautifully lifted on the nose displaying fresh pear, mandarin, floral and subtle spice notes. The palate delivers excellent fruit purity as well as fine texture and bright acidity, making the wine refreshing and immediately appealing. A crowd-pleasing style offering plenty of tasty flavours." Wine Orbit Dec 2015

Awards

Pure Silver Medal – Bragato Wine Awards, August 2016

4^{1/2} Stars/90 Points – Wine Orbit , Dec 2015