



Expression Pinot Grigio 2019

Technical Information:

Appellation	VQA Niagara Peninsula
Vineyard(s)	Home Farm Vineyard, Market Vineyard
Varietal(s)	100% Pinot Gris
Brix at Harvest	19.7°
Alcohol Content	11.5%
Residual Sugar	5 grams/Litre
Total Production	1000 cases of 12

TASTING NOTES

Pale in the glass with aromas of spiced yellow pear and melon, with notes of mineral and flowers. The palate is dry, fresh and fruity with medium acidity and flavours of green pear, ripe cantaloupe, fresh ginger and creamed honey. The finish is flavourful with lingering spice and pear notes. Enjoy on its own or pair with a variety of foods from lake fish to salads to cheese platters. Also a perfect compliment to ginger and coriander-spiced pumpkin hummus!

WINEMAKING NOTES

Our Expression Pinot Grigio is a blend of our two estate vineyards in Creek Shores, created to showcase both a perfect Expression of Niagara Pinot Grigio and also of our winemaker's style! The grapes were harvested in late September and immediately pressed into stainless steel tanks for a cool fermentation that lasted 20 days. The wine was kept in tank for 10 months before fining, filtration and bottling in September 2020.

VINTAGE NOTES

After a fairly cold winter, mild weather began in March but it was some time until real warm weather began, giving the growing season a slow and wet start. The summer was quite warm and allowed for full phenolic maturity in all varieties. Harvest started in the second week of September for sparkling and was quickly followed by early ripening whites such as Pinot Gris, followed by Chardonnay and Riesling at the end of September and early October. The temperatures were mild but a bit wet so Pinot Noir and Gamay were also harvested early October followed by Cabernet Franc in late October. There was a snow storm in mid November so yields were reduced on Cabernet Sauvignon which was harvested in late November. The quality of the grapes was very good to excellent with high acidity and concentrated flavours throughout the portfolio. Wines should have the capacity to age for the medium to long term.

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