



Tasting Notes 2018 10X Pinot Gris



Vintage Heavier than normal winter rains and cooler temperatures delayed budburst (our second latest) but warmer spring weather resulted in perfect conditions for flowering leading to very good fruit set and promising high yields. In fact, particularly down the hill, crop adjustment was required to ensure even maturity and high quality outcomes. Grapes matured with optimum sugar, flavour and tannin development resulting in high quality parcels from all sites. It was our third earliest harvest, leading to our shortest ever hang time (budburst-harvest 179 days against an average of 203 days).

Vineyards :: Clones Osborn (59%), Wallis (30%), Spedding (11%) :: D1V7 (100%)
Harvest date :: Yield Hand picked 27 February-8 March 2018 :: 7.3 tonnes/ha (3.0 t/acre, ~43.8hl/ha)

Brix :: pH :: TA 22.4-23.4° (12.4-13.0° Baumé) :: 3.12-3.35 :: 6.2-9.1 g/l

Winemaking Grapes hand-harvested from late February to early March, whole bunch pressed and the unsettled juice fermented by indigenous yeasts in old 228 litre French oak barrels and 500 litre puncheons. A 7 month aging in barrel with no bâtonnage to keep wines fresher and more taut. Natural partial (71%) malolactic fermentation before bottling unfinned and filtered.

Winemakers Sandro Mosele, Martin Spedding

Aging :: Oak 7 months :: old 228 litre French oak barrels and 500 litre puncheons

Malolactic Partial (71%)

Residual sugar Dry (0.7 g/l)

Finished pH :: TA 3.27 :: 5.6 g/l

Alcohol 13.5% (8.0 standard drinks/750ml bottle)

Production 658 dozen :: bottled 4 October 2018 :: screwcap

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TASTING NOTES Understated, yet quietly full flavoured, Pinot Gris that is all about textural grip and crunchy acidity. Whispers of apple and a little nougat on a palate that has more weight the closer you look. Gris with freshness and depth, just don't drink it too cold.

Andrew Graham [March 2019, commissioned by TMBT]

Food :: Temperature Vietnamese duck rice paper rolls.:: serve at 10–13°C

Best drinking 2019-2024

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