



NELSON PINOT GRIS 2016



Wine Analysis

Vineyard: Seifried Redwood Valley, Queen Victoria and Rabbit Island Vineyards
Sugar at Harvest: 22.7°Brix
Date of Harvest: Late March - mid April 2016
pH of Wine: 3.37
T.A of Wine: 6.1g/L
Residual Sugar of Wine: 8.71g/L
Suitable for Vegetarians and Vegans: Yes

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The Vineyard

The 2016 Rabbit Island Pinot Gris is a blend of several of our Pinot Gris vineyard blocks. This allows us to take advantage of the varying clones and nuances each site offers.

The unirrigated Redwood Valley vineyard is situated on a gently sloping, north facing clay site which optimises the heat of the sun. These Pinot Gris vines have root systems going down in the clay which have been established over the past 30 years and therefore these top grafted vines have a very sturdy foundation.

Our Queen Victoria vineyard is our new vineyard block located in the Motueka area. This exciting block has five year old vines on very stony, free draining soils and produces bright, exuberant fruit characters.

The Rabbit Island vineyard is situated on a wide river flat. The soil is gravelly loam, which is very sandy and free draining. These vineyards are about 1.5 kilometres from the sea, which helps moderate temperatures.

Winemakers Note

We used separate parcels of Pinot Gris from our clay soiled vineyard and from our stony/silty blocks to blend a complex wine. The Pinot Gris fruit for this wine comes predominantly from the Queen Victoria vineyard and a smaller amounts from other blocks. The wine pulls together fruit from our varying Estate vineyards to make the best our terroirs have to offer!

Tasting Note

The 2016 Rabbit Island Pinot Gris is varietal and expressive. Ripe stone fruit together with delicate floral notes are inviting on the nose. The palate is full and generous showing succulent Autumn pear and hints of warm gentle ginger. The wine has a long, flavoursome finish.

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