

WALNUT CITY 2019 Willamette Valley Pinot Gris

VINEYARDS

Confluence Vineyard, Willamette Valley
6.25 acres | Established 1998 | 131 - 157' | S | Willamette & Woodburn soil series

Poverty Bend Vineyard, Willamette Valley
3.87 acres | 131 - 157' | SE | Willamette & Woodburn soil series

Covey Ridge Vineyard, Willamette Valley 17 acres | 500 - 600' | S | Laurelwood soil

VINIFICATION

Hand harvested and whole cluster pressed. The juice is settled and racked to stainless steel fermenters where it's inoculated and fermented cold and slow for about 6 weeks. Held on lees before clarification and bottling. 1,500 cases produced. 13.2% abv.

TASTING NOTE

Refreshing, bright, and dry—our 2019 Pinot Gris is carried by classic orchard notes of green apple and pear. Cirtus rind and mineral accents lift the aromas and contribute to easy, refreshing nature of this wine. Casual and smartly capable of complimenting a range foods. From simple oven-roasted chicken to spicy Indian or Thai dishes, this wine is as versatile as it is delicious.

VINTAGE

The 2019 vintage proved to be a classic Oregon vintage. The nearly perfect weather that carried through veraison became sporadically wet as we moved closer to harvest. Thankfully the critical ripening days were punctuated by enough dry, sunny days to allow ripeness to accumulate. The skill and hard work of our vineyard crews to manage the September rains will show in the finished wines. While tonnage was down over recent years, the fruit came into the winery with balanced chemistry and noteworthy complexity. The finished wines are expected to typify the Willamette Valley with lovely aromatics, ideal alcohol percentages and elegant, age-able structures.

ABOUT

Since 1999, we've been crafting wines that promote distinctiveness, quality and sustainability, while delivering genuine value. Estate farming is the key to achieving these goals – from over 30 years of developing our vineyard portfolio, it's at the core of what we do. Our hand in the winery never speaks louder than the grapes or their place of origin. We strive for natural balance in our wines and allow the strong influence of vintage in the Willamette Valley to shine through. From harvest to bottle, our cellar program was built around handling wine in small, unique lots.

