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Pinot Gris 2019 Central Otago

REGION

Region: Central Otago

Sub Regions: Bannockburn

VINEYARDS

Felton Terraces Vineyard

Block: Maia

Clones: 2/15 varying rootstocks

Aspect: north/northwest sloping

Row orientation: east-west

Soil: weakly structured light alluvial soils overlaying schist rock

Elevation: 270m

Vine age: 22 years

Trellis system & pruning:

VSP, spur

VINTAGE NOTES

Growing conditions:

Characteristically unpredictable Central Otago growing conditions bookended by frost events. Overall, a cool, settled season with good rainfall resulting in long, gentle development of flavour and physiological ripeness. Budburst, flowering and fruit set all right on schedule this year for our cool climate region.

Grower Degree Days:

1,100 GDD

Rainfall: 426 ml Oct-April

VINIFICATION

Whole bunch pressed

Ferment Vessel: stainless steel

Yeast: inoculated

Fermentation temp: 13-15C

TASTING NOTE

Complex nose of orange, nashi pear, cantaloupe and clover honey, with a spice note of fresh ginger. Palate follows through with apple pie spice and apple blossom perfume, fine linear acidity lending length and focus, and finishing with river stone minerality.

Winemakers Notes:

"In 2019, our RUA Pinot Gris comes from a single block in our Felton Terraces vineyard, Maia. It's exciting to see a pure expression of this site which is showing complex spice and exotic fruit character."

Recommended cellaring 5-7 years

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Vineyard Manager:

Mark Naismith

Winemaker: Andrew Keenleyside

Harvest date: 6th April 2019

Brix at Harvest: 22

Alcohol: 13.0 %

Residual Sugar: 10.7 g/L

Titrateable Acidity: 6.4 g/L

Bottled: September 2019

PH: 3.15

