



## 2020 PINOT GRIS COLUMBIA VALLEY

Varietal Composition:	100% Pinot Gris
Appellation:	Columbia Valley
Bottled:	May 18, 2021
Technical Data:	Alc. 13.9% by vol.; RS: 0.39%; TA: 5.83 g/L; pH: 3.34
Cases Produced:	6,798
Production & Aging:	Stainless steel fermentation

### THE VINTAGE

The 2020 growing season was a consistently temperate season. Few extreme heat days allowed for even vine ripening and little stress on grape flavor development. While some areas in the Columbia Valley were impacted from early season frosts, Maryhill saw little damage in the locations that grapes were sourced from. The acids held well across white and red wines and will deliver great brightness in the whites and graceful aging for years to come in the reds.

### THE VINEYARD

Sourced from the award-winning Tudor Hills Vineyard farmed by the Tudor family in Washington state's Columbia Valley AVA.

### THE WINEMAKING

Throughout harvest, Winemaker Richard Batchelor worked closely with local growers and visited each vineyard to taste for maturity and ripeness to determine the precise moment to pick the fruit. Grapes were hand-harvested during the cool hours of the morning to preserve bright fruit notes and destemmed into the press, where each lot was processed on a champagne cycle. This is a slower press cycle that is extremely gentle on the fruit ensuring optimum fruit character is preserved. The wine was then barrel aged for 10 months in new French Oak. The wine was stirred in barrel on its lees and raked when necessary to soften the tannins. Before blending and bottling, the wine was raked off the lees for clarity.

### TASTING NOTES

Melon medley aromas with lilac, peach blossom, honey and lush fruit up front. Apricot, pear and a hint of mineral character with a pleasant crisp finish.

### AWARDS

New Release



*Pacific Northwest Winery of the Year*  
Wine Press Northwest, 2015

*Winery of the Year*  
San Francisco International, 2014

*Top 10 Winery of the World*  
World Association of Wine Writers & Journalists, 2014

*Winemaker of the Year*  
INDY International, 2019, 2018 & 2013