

Expression Pinot Grigio 2023

Technical Information:

Appellation	VQA Niagara Peninsula
Vineyard(s)	Select Niagara Peninsula vineyards
Varietal(s)	100% Pinot Gris
Brix at Harvest	19°
Alcohol Content	11.5%
Residual Sugar	2 grams/Litre
Total Production	1222 cases of 12
Other Notes	Certified Sustainable and Vegan-Friendly



TASTING NOTES

Pale in the glass with aromas of golden delicious apple, cantaloupe, minerality and flowers. The palate is dry, fresh and fruity with medium acidity and flavours of pineapple, apricot and jasmine. The finish is flavourful with lingering spice and apple notes. Enjoy on its own or pair with a variety of foods from lake fish to salads to cheese platters.

WINEMAKING NOTES

Our Expression Pinot Grigio is a blend of our two estate vineyards in Creek Shores, created to showcase both a perfect Expression of Niagara Pinot Grigio and also of our winemaker's style! The grapes were harvested in late September and immediately pressed into stainless steel tanks for a cool fermentation that lasted 20 days. The wine was kept in the tank for 4 months before fining, filtration and bottling in January 2023.

VINTAGE NOTES

A mild winter, accompanied with warmer than warmer-than-average temperatures led to an early start to the growing season in 2023 (Bud break recorded May 5th). Conditions throughout the Spring and Summer were highly variable, a mix of extreme heat and cool spells with intermittent and isolated heavy rains caused a wide range of fruit maturity among most varieties. This led to a slightly delayed start to the 2023 harvest (3rd week of September. Two weeks later than 2022). Once harvest began, conditions were near perfect, consisting of mostly dry, warm days and cool nights with little precipitation. The first grapes to come into the cellar were Chardonnay for sparkling. Followed by aromatic whites and lighter reds such as Riesling and Gamay from late September through mid-October. Later ripening reds such as Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc were harvested mid to late November concluding harvest. Overall quality was good to excellent, with yields ranging greatly from varietal to varietal. Wines should have the capacity to age for the medium to long term.