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## HAWKES BAY PINOT GRIS 2019

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### VINEYARD DESCRIPTION

The grapes for this wine were sourced from the inland Maraekakaho sub-region of Hawkes Bay. The Keltern Vineyard and Scott's Vineyard further upstream, sit on stony river terraces formed by the Ngaruroro River. With their gravel based soils, warm daytime temperatures and cool nights, these are ideal sites to grow premium Pinot Gris. Both vineyards are cane pruned and intensively managed to provide ripe fruit from low yielding vines.

### WINEMAKING

The grapes were harvested in the morning while temperatures were cool and processed as quickly and gently as possible to avoid colour and tannin pick up from the pink Pinot Gris berries. The juice was settled bright before fermentation in both tank and large old oak barrels. The finished wine was left on its yeast lees with regular stirring until bottling in June 2019.

### WINEMAKER'S COMMENT

This is a dry style Pinot Gris with aromas and flavours of Nashi pear, peach, citrus and honey. A small portion of barrel fermentation has added richness and complexity to this delicious and highly drinkable wine.

### FOOD MATCH

Very versatile. Can be enjoyed on its own or with soft cheeses, pork, chicken and seafood dishes.

### IDEAL DRINKING

enjoy as a young wine or cellar for a richer and more complex style.

### TECHNICAL DETAILS

Region: Hawkes Bay  
Variety: Pinot Gris  
Oak Use: 15% barrel ferment  
Alcohol: 13.5%  
pH: 3.59  
Total Acidity: 5.4g/L  
Residual Sugar: 4.7g/L



May contain milk.  
Contains sulphites.  
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