

2022 WILLAMETTE VALLEY DOMAINE PINOT GRIS

The Domaine wines represent the best of the best that our estate has to offer. Located in the prestigious Willamette Valley, King Estate is certified organic and Biodynamic®, which means the fruit is as pristine and pure as Oregon itself. King Estate is credited with popularizing Pinot Gris nationally. To this day we scrupulously safeguard our tradition of meticulous winemaking. For this wine our winemakers carefully select the highest quality Pinot Gris grapes harvested from our estate, assuring that only the highest quality fruit makes it into the bottle carrying the Domaine label.

TASTING NOTES

Pear is apparent on the nose, joined by tropical and citrus fruits along with some apple, yellow plum, honeysuckle and gardenia. The entry is fruit forward, revealing green apple, pear, mango, melon and peach on the palate. Fruit, acidity and alcohol come together in superb balance. Sur lie aging adds body to create a richly satisfying, enjoyable wine.

WINEMAKING PROCESS

Fermented in 100% stainless steel, temperature-controlled tanks. Aged sur lie for eight months.

VINTAGE NOTES

Despite a heart-stopping frost on April 15, the 2022 vintage rallied to a highly successful close. Optimal conditions in late June resulted in exceptional fruit set and continued through July and August. Crop estimates in August beat expectations, giving the first indication that we had rebounded from the frost. A warm September followed by the warmest October on record accelerated ripening and boosted yields, creating a new challenge to bring in all that ripe fruit in a compressed window. Cooler fall-like conditions arrived in the last week of October. While the bulk of the harvest was in, the last remaining blocks and vineyards were harvested during breaks in weather over the last days of October.

Varietal: 100% Pinot Gris Vineyard: 100% King Estate, Blocks 15A & B, 18C, 20A AVA: Willamette Valley Alcohol: 13.5%