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BOUCHAINE

NAPA VALLEY ♦ CARNEROS

2018 Estate Pinot Gris



Vineyard

Bouchaine's 100-acre estate vineyard lies on the southern border of Napa Valley's Carneros district, overlooking the San Francisco bay with the financial district in the distance. Fog, wind, and the cold night time temperatures of this unique geographical area lend a distinctive regional identity to our Pinot Gris.

Growing Season

2018 delivered a late but incredible harvest. Beautiful weather during bloom allowed for a bounty of exceptional fruit. A cool, foggy summer with no heat events ensured slow even ripening, vibrant acidity and superb flavor development.

Vinification

Grapes are hand-harvested at night before whole clusters are lightly pressed to extract juice. This wine is fermented mostly in stainless tank at low temperature to maintain fresh aromatics but also sees a small amount of neutral oak barrels, stirred monthly, for added depth and complexity.

Tasting Notes

We've all seen enough Superhero movies to know what a mutant is. DNA getting zapped in just the right way to make something amazing. That makes Pinot Gris a Superhero of wines since it is a mutation of Pinot Noir. However, when you drink Pinot Gris, you won't have to worry about alien invasions and imminent threats. All you have to worry about is whether there's enough to share. Pairs best with: pork chops and X-Men movies.

Appellation

Napa Valley, Carneros

Vineyard

Estate Block 12

Aging

5 months

Harvest Date

September 4, 2018

Bottling Date

April 17, 2019

Maturation

20% aged in neutral oak, 80% stainless steel fermented

PH

3.3

TA

6.6 g/L

RS

0 g/L

Alcohol

13.4%

Production

395 cases (750ml)

Suggested Retail

\$36

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