

LANGE

ESTATE WINERY & VINEYARDS

2018 PINOT GRIS RESERVE

THE VINTAGE

For the fifth year in a row, nature cooperated with winegrowers in the Willamette Valley. With an abundance of sun throughout the spring and summer, vines were thankful for showers and a few weeks of cool nights and warm days in mid-September that revived them just as ripening was beginning to slow. Despite warmer weather and longer hang times, grapes retained high levels of acidity along with complex flavors leaving harmonious and balanced fruit.

THE VINEYARD

This Pinot Gris incorporates fruit sourced from premier vineyards throughout Oregon's Northern Willamette Valley including our own Lange Estate Vineyard, as well as Durant Vineyards, Yamhill Vineyards, and Tukwilla Vineyard.

THE WINEMAKING

Lange Estate Winery was the fourth producer of Pinot Gris in the United States and has built a reputation for producing some of Oregon's best examples of this popular wine. The Langes made history in the New World by being the first to pioneer a barrel-fermented style back in 1987. These grapes were hand-picked and hand-sorted. Only free run juice was collected to craft this wine, which was fermented in neutral French Oak puncheon barrels. This wine spent part of its life (10 weeks) in the cellar aging in a concrete egg fermenter where it gained volume and richness without the weight and flavor impact of oak.

WINEMAKER'S TASTING NOTES

With bright acidity and fresh flavors of peach, papaya and apricot, our Pinot Gris Reserve offers a richness rarely found in this varietal. Its silky yet firm and focused mid-palate gives way to a perfect sip with harmonized notes of nectarine, honeysuckle and a hint of lemon zest.

ACCOLADES

2018 - 92 Points - Washington Wine Blog, 91 Points - Wine Enthusiast
2017 - 91 Points - Wine Enthusiast
2016 - 91 Points - Wine Enthusiast, 90 Points - Wine & Spirits
2015 - 92 Points - "Editors' Choice" - Wine Enthusiast



VARIETAL: 100% Pinot Gris
APPELLATION: Willamette Valley
PRODUCTION: 500 cases
ALCOHOL: 13.2%
RETAIL: \$28.00

