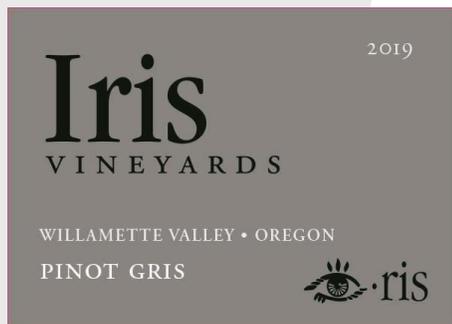


Iris  
VINEYARDS



# 2019 WILLAMETTE VALLEY PINOT GRIS

Willamette Valley

At Iris Vineyards we look to showcase the potential of Pinot Gris when planted in the proper place and crafted by the hands of our dedicated growers and cellar staff.

## TECHNICAL DATA

**VARIETIES** 100% Pinot Gris

**AVA** Willamette Valley

**TA** 6.8 g/L

**RESIDUAL SUGAR** 5.6 g/L

**ALCOHOL** 12.14%

**pH** 3.12

**ELEVAGE** 100% Stainless steel

**CLONES** Dijon 146 and 152

**VINEYARDS** Chalice Estate, Five Fourteen,  
Confluence, Elhanan, and Stroda Vineyards

**SOIL TYPES** Belpine, Dupee, Woodburn,  
Willamette and Willakenzie

**HARVESTED** September 2019

**BOTTLED** January 2020

**CELLARING** 1-5 years

**RELEASED** March 2021

**CASES** 4783

**WINEMAKER** Aaron Lieberman  
**PROPRIETOR** Pamela Frye

**SRP: \$15.99**

## WINEMAKER NOTES

Each vineyard parcel was harvested separately, at peak maturity and brought into the cellar cold. The fruit was whole cluster pressed into stainless steel tanks to ferment as their own individual vineyard parcels. Once fermentation was complete, the individual tanks were blended together to build complexity and interest. The 2019 vintage brought generous fruit while retaining the acidity that gives this wine structure and balance.

All of our source vineyards are located in Lane County with the exception of Confluence Vineyard which sits in the southeast corner of McMinnville in Yamhill County. Our estate vineyard, being a cool site tends to give us more citrus like aromas while the other vineyards contribute aromas that are more reminiscent of pear and apple.

## VINTAGE DESCRIPTION

The 2019 vintage had warmer than average growing conditions following a warmer than average 2018 and slightly cooler than average 2017. Budbreak occurred late in April which is typical for our vineyard. Bloom occurred with favorable weather in the last week of June. From there on the season was fairly average in terms of precipitation and temperature until September. The fall ripening period reminded us of conditions which were more commonly faced by growers and winemakers in the 1980s and 90s with a relatively early start to the rainy season. In spite of this the bulk of our Pinot Gris was picked before any significant rainfall.

### Awards and Accolades

Silver – *San Francisco Chronicle*

Silver – *McMinnville Wine Classic*