

Westmount

Pinot Gris, 2020



ABOUT THE WINE

While Laurent Montalieu originally fell in love with being a ski bum, he needed a way to pay for lift tickets. This came via pruning vineyards in France and attending the renowned Bordeaux Institute of Enology. He came stateside to Southern Oregon in 1989, eventually opening his own winery. His 2020 Willamette Valley Pinot Gris is fresh and bright, with grapes picked just days before the wildfires.

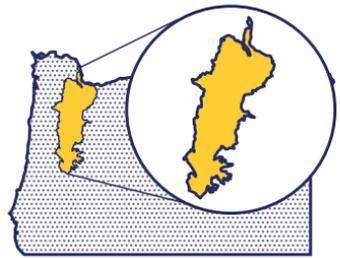


DID YOU KNOW?

Pinot Gris goes by a few other names. In Italy, they call it Pinot Grigio, and in Germany it's known as "Graubergunder," a compound word that translates to "the grey grape of Burgundy."

ABOUT THE REGION

The Willamette Valley is the premiere grape-growing region in Oregon. This thin strip of land spans 3 million acres and is home to almost 700 wineries. The vineyards inhabit several distinct subregions; Pinot Gris grows particularly well in the cooler ones, such as the Van Duzer Corridor. Westmount's vineyards in this area are exposed to chilly air from the Pacific, which helps the grapes retain their bright, fresh flavors. The Pinot Gris is always harvested exclusively from a single vineyard, and this one hails from the Westmount Vineyard.



Willamette Valley, Oregon

AT A GLANCE

Variety: Chardonnay

Oak: No oak (stainless steel)

Vintage: 2020

Alcohol: 13.1%

Vineyard: Westmount Vineyard

Farming: Conventional

To learn more about this wine, visit blueapron.com/wines/257

TASTING NOTES

This single-vineyard wine is a classic example of what an Oregon Pinot Gris should be. It's light, bright, and fruit-forward. This bottle is full of fresh green fruit flavors, along with hints of peach and pear. The crisp minerality and smooth texture make this wine extremely food-friendly.

1) Look at the Color



Pale Yellow

2) Swirl & Smell



Green apple



Pear

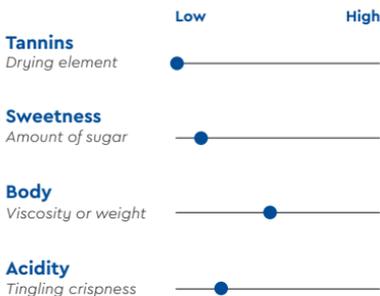


Melon



Peach

3) Taste & Savor



TASTING TIP

Pinot Gris is a subtle grape that is often identifiable more by texture and color than by taste. Do you notice a smooth, almost viscous texture? That's a hallmark of this grey-skinned grape.

4) Pair and enjoy!



Light & Fresh

Match this wine's symbol to a Blue Apron Meal

Light and fresh white wines are the perfect backup singers for meals packed with vegetables or seafood. Grapes like Pinot Grigio and Grüner Veltliner have subtle fruit and light herb flavors. Choose these bottles to add a little zing to your meal.