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HAWKE'S BAY, NEW ZEALAND

Milestone Series

MILESTONE SERIES HAWKE'S BAY PINOT GRIS 2014

For over 20 years, Crossroads has represented the very best of small parcel winemaking.

The Crossroads Milestone Series celebrates our dedication from the vineyard to the winery – creating benchmark wines from Hawke's Bay, New Zealand.

Winemaking: Miles Dinneen
Viticulture: Bryon Strachan
Harvested: 17th March 2014
Vineyards: Hawke's Bay
Alc/vol: 13%
RS: 4.15
pH: 3.36
TA: 5.33g/l

VITICULTURE

The warm 2014 growing season offered good conditions for ripening Pinot Gris allowing the accumulation of ripe flavours in the clean, concentrated fruit. The fruit was sourced from our home block at Fern Hill and Kereru vineyard; both vineyards are on free draining river terraces and provide excellent conditions for grape growing.

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

The fruit was gently harvested and pressed immediately before settling. The majority of the fruit was then fermented separately in stainless steel tanks, with 8% sent to oak barriques to gain aromatic and textural complexity. Post fermentation the wines remained on lees to preserve freshness and gain mouthfeel, before blending and bottling.

WINE AND FOOD

Lifted aromas of nashi pears and nectarine are complemented by fresh pastry characters. The lush fruity mid palate merges seamlessly into a lively dry finish.

This Pinot Gris is delicious on its own, but also a very food friendly wine. The subtle character and texture support but never dominating the dish. Matches well with fresh seafood, summer salads, pheasant, chicken and pork.



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