

BALLETTO

2007 ESTATE PINOT GRIS



WINERY:

The Balletto Winery is located in the southwest area of the Russian River Valley. There are several soils on which the grapes are grown, including Wright Loam Shallow, Clear Lake Clay, Blucher Fine Sandy Loam and Goldridge. The western edges of the ranch border the Laguna de Santa Rosa vital wetland habitat, a home to many species of birds and animals. Today, 100 acres of chardonnay, 60 acres of pinot noir and 5 acres of pinot gris surround the winery site. The Balletto family felt that the additional area of land they owned along the Laguna was so beautiful it should be shared with others. They were able to come to an agreement with Sonoma County's Agriculture Preservation & Open Space District to preserve this land for all those living in the area and for visitors to this wonderful county! Future visions include a seasonal trail for all.

DESCRIPTION:

Pinot Gris is one of the winery's signature wines. This beautiful golden-straw colored wine has aromas of red apples and figs with orange blossom floral undertones, a touch of lemon/lemon peel and the slightest hint of vanilla. The flavors are fruit forward with fresh fig, peach, & a hint of cream. The luscious texture has a mineral component and is incredibly balanced with the acidity on the finish. This is a great wine on a summer day or would do well as an aperitif.

HARVEST:

September 8 & 12, 2007

SOURCE:

Brix at harvest: 23.6 (September 8) & 24.3 (September 12)

COOPERAGE:

Clones: 146 and 152

PRODUCTION:

50% fermented in 100% neutral French oak barrels; 50% fermented in stainless steel

ANALYSIS:

2,335 cases

Alcohol 13.5% by volume

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