

Lawson's Dry Hills Estate Pinot Gris 2019

The Story

Established in 1992, Lawson's Dry Hills are a talented yet humble bunch with just a little of the pioneering rebel spirit running in their veins, a sort of 'what you see is what you get'. There's no pretense, nothing flashy, just the team and what they need to make wines that they like to drink and share.

From nurturing the grapes in their vineyards through to bottling, their autonomy gives the small, hands-on team flexibility and full control. The end results? Expressive, award-winning wines that are an authentic representation of the grape variety and the land from which they are grown.

The Vineyard

This is from our two adjacent Waihopai vineyards. The soils in these blocks are a mixture of clay, gravel and silts. The clays provide lovely mouthfeel and weight to this wine. The viticulture is quite intensive as we undertake shoot, bunch and colour thinning in order to ensure low crop levels, full ripening and concentrated flavours. 2019 was an outstanding vintage so we picked the grapes at perfect ripeness, with great flavour and in wonderful condition.

Winemaking

The winemaking for this wine was very straight forward. We are simply seeking to express the wonderful characters we get from these vineyards. The grapes were gently pressed and fermented at cool temperatures to retain the naturally occurring, fresh fruit character. Fermentation was stopped with just a hint of residual sugar and the wine was bottled here at the winery.

Tasting Note

Fragrant lemon, red apple and stone-fruit aromas lead to quite a dry yet richly textured palate with fresh, bright fruit characters and a gentle acidity.

Alcohol Percentage	13.5 %
Residual Sugar	4.8 g/L
T.A.	4.8 g/L
Aging Potential	3+ years



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