

## LIME ROCK



## WINES

# LIME ROCK PINOT GRIS 2014

All fruit was handpicked from the north-facing limestone slopes of our LIME ROCK vineyard, near Waipawa, Central Hawke's Bay.

**Vineyard:** We have two Pinot Gris blocks on the north facing limestone slopes in the vineyard, and some 'rogue' vines within the Pinot Noir. The shallow loess and volcanic soil over the limestone makes the vines work hard, producing the compact, pretty pink-brown Pinot Gris bunches, full of flavour.

**2014 Season:** This cooler year produced Pinot Gris grapes with a good balance of sweetness and fruit flavours. Our team of pickers always enjoy the Pinot Gris that has lovely skin colour, ranging from light to dark rosy-pink and to deep brown. We don't see grey Gris (although that is what the French call it). And I think they, the pickers, steal a grape or two when we aren't watching. The grapes are so rich and sticky!



### Winemaking:

We like to let the Pinot Gris express itself without us interfering too much. After fermentation we just stir the yeast remnants, which sink to the bottom of the tank, back into the settling clear wine, so as to give more texture. Because of this we can feel more softness yet substance in the mouth.

**Hand Harvest**                      5 - 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2014 (similar dates to last year)  
Brix 22.4                      pH 3.11                      TA 7.6g/l

**Bottled**                                      Late February 2015  
Alcohol 13.5%                      pH 3.30                      TA 6.0g/l

### Wine description

A Pinot Gris with opulence within a firm structure, exhibiting pear, white nectarine and floral characters along with subtle spice and flinty notes. The luscious palate has excellent weight and texture complimented by delicate fruit flavours and a lingering crisp finish.

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