



2018

Pinot Gris

VIRGINIA

Variety

100% Pinot Gris

AVA

Virginia

Vineyard

100% Shenandoah

Harvest Date

August 2018

Fermentation & Aging

Stainless steel fermenters

100% Stainless Steel

4 Months

Technical Data

Brix at Harvest: 22

pH: 3.53

TA: 5.8 grams/L

Alc: 12%

RS: 0.02%

Bottled: January 10, 2019

Cases Produced: 120

VINEYARD NOTES

Shenandoah Vineyards is situated one of the best sites for viticulture in Virginia. The Blue Ridge Mountains provide a rain shadow for the valley, which means rain coming from the west is blocked, causing a very dry environment for the growing season. The soil is mostly made up of limestone, and the vineyard site is on southeastern facing slopes at an optimal elevation. The result is deeply concentrated flavors from perfectly ripe grape clusters.

WINEMAKING NOTES

The fruit in this wine is all hand harvested and brought to the winery for a cooling period prior to crushing. No commercial yeast is used during fermentation. The wine is then aged for 4 months in stainless steel vats to maintain freshness and aromatics.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Our 2018 Pinot Gris is a perfect representation of an Alsatian style wine produced here in Virginia. Completely dry, but with notes white flowers, peach, and lemon zest throughout. The wine has racing acidity which lends it to be a fantastic wine on its own, or paired with a number of light dishes and cheeses like shrimp scampi, sole, and parmigiano Reggiano. It is designed to be enjoyed early within 2-3 years of release.