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2013 Pinot Grigio

100% Pinot Grigio 100% Breezy Slope Vineyard, Walla Walla Valley AVA Alc. 13.09% by Vol.

Growing Season

Bud break arrived on schedule in early April, but a warm, dry spring led to accelerated growth and a great fruit set. By June, we had 4 ft canopies and were three to four weeks ahead of schedule. The summer continued its dry and hot trajectory until the middle of September when the temperature fell suddenly after two large storms. That was great news for our grapes as they could ripen without large accumulation of sugars. The grapes were harvested on September 12th, 2013.

Vineyard

Jack DeWitt, father of the winemaker of Dumas Station wines, grows and maintains 40+ acres of Pinot Noir, Pinot Gris, and a bit of Syrah and Viognier in the Breezy Slope vineyard up against the Blue Mountains. Because the vineyard is about 1 mile across the Oregon border at an elevation of 1700 feet, this site is prime for Pinot vines. The cold air drainage, increased precipitation, and cooler climate allows the vines to thrive and maintain natural acidity, not to mention that the border of the Walla Walla Valley AVA is only a few hundred feet from the edge of the vineyard!

Barrel Composition

100% Stainless steel barrels

Tasting Notes

Hailing from the Breezy Slope vineyard up into the Blue Mountains surround the Walla Walla Valley at an elevation of

1750 ft, this wine exhibits pear, grapefruit, meyer lemon, and white pepper on the nose leading into ripe, fruity flavors. The wine is fruit forward but completely dry (no sugar) and has mouthwatering acidity. A richer mouthfeel is present due to two months of aging on the lees. 3.27 pH and 7.1 g/L of titratable acidity. Drink now through 2017.

Cases Produced: 72 Release Date: May 2014

Silver - San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition



