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2014 Reed Vineyards Pinot Grigio

100% Pinot Grigio 100% Reed Vineyards, Columbia Valley AVA Alc. 12.76% by Vol.

Growing Season

Bud break arrived before the typical schedule due to a warm winter with little snow, but a warm spring led to accelerated growth and a great fruit set. It was pretty close to the 2013 vintage that by June, we had full canopies and were three to four weeks ahead of schedule. Growing Degree Days for the year shattered records, putting Walla Walla and most of WA into a perfect and bountiful vintage. The summer continued its dry and hot pattern all the way through harvest. That was great news for our grapes as they could ripen without large drops in acidity.

Vineyard

Reed Vineyards is located north of Pasco in the Columbia Valley, and is owned by potato farmers. They also have over a hundred acres of wine grapes planted, most of which go to some of the largest brands in Washington State! Because of their farming background, these viticulturalists know how to grow some amazing grapes. On a slightly southwestern facing slope, this Pinot Grigio is grown in sandy loam soil with great drainage and plenty of vine nutrients.

Barrel Composition

100% Stainless steel barrels

Tasting Notes

Benefiting from a bit of lees aging, this wine opens with pear, Fiji apple, and banana. On the palate, the apple and pear complement the wine's viscosity (due to lees aging and extended fermentation) and leads into a subtle, long finish reminiscent of a warm banana chutney.

This wine has quite a bit less acid than its Walla Walla counterpart, showing how important terroir and environment can be. Drink now through 2018. 3.46 pH and 5.6 g/L of titratable acidity.

Cases Produced: 257 Release Date: May 2015



