



INDIGO VINEYARD
ALPINE VALLEYS BEECHWORTH, VICTORIA

2015 INDIGO PINOT GRIGIO
PRODUCTION 941 DOZEN

The Vineyard: Grapes were sourced from the Walpole Vineyard at Whorouly (about 15kms from our vineyard in the Alpine Valleys GI) and Indigo Vineyard at Beechworth.

The Vintage: 2015 was the shortest vintage ever at Indigo. Picking starting on 5 February and all complete by 23 March. Budburst was very early following good winter rains and warm spring conditions. Regular rainfall in early summer during veraison (the period where the grapes start to change colour and ripen) followed by a mild dry summer meant the grapes ripened very well and flavours development was fantastic. Not a day over 40 degrees and nice warm days and cool nights made 2015 a delight.

Harvest: The Pinot Gris grapes were Machine picked in the cool of the night and the Roussanne was handpicked.

Winemaking: Pinot Gris grapes were tipped directly into air bag press, gently squeezed and racked to tank for fermentation. The pressings were kept separate to avoid adding pink colours to the wine. After ferment the pressings were added back to the blend. The wine spent 3 months on yeast lees for added texture. Prior to bottling 10% Roussanne was added to the blend to provide length, structure and mouth feel. The wine was lightly fined with skim milk then filtered and bottled after 4 months.

Aging / Oak: The Pinot Gris spent 4 months in stainless steel tanks. The Roussanne was matured for 4 months in older French oak barriques

Our thoughts: Delicious fresh flavours with a hint of bitter/ sweet grapefruit. Pear flavours offset the citrus. There is an overlay of minerality. The Roussanne played its part to add a structure to the wine and add an oak complexity often not found in Pinot Grigio/ Pinot Gris styles. Drink now.

Winemaker: Marc Scalzo

Food: Grilled Chicken or Seafood

Release Date: August 2015

Drink: Best in its youth.

Reviews: 92 points Wine Business Monthly March/April 2016

Alcohol: 13.5%

Cellar Door: \$25 per bottle

Every vine nurtured by hand

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