

# Iris Vineyards 2016 Oregon Pinot Gris



**Tasting Notes:** Vivid and flavorful! The 2016 vintage of our Oregon Pinot Gris comes almost entirely from our vineyard, Chalice, located in the southern Willamette Valley. It's nose is bright and a little bit tropical, with aromas of pineapple, papaya, and tangerine. It's crisp and clean on the palate and the tropical fruits carry through with notes of pineapple and subtle grapefruit.

**Growing Season:** The 2016 growing season at Chalice Vineyard continued a three-year trend of warmer than average vintages. Bud break occurred April 3-9, one of the earliest ever for our site. The season was distinguished by a summer of consistently warmer than average temperatures. July and August passed without excessive heat spikes. The vines enjoyed a healthy and stress free summer. The weather in early June was pleasant and warm for bloom, making for a uniform and quality fruit set. This was the earliest bloom period we have had at Chalice Vineyard. Harvest began earlier than ever, making for a stress free harvest without threat of rain.

**Case Production:** 2291

**Cooperage:** stainless steel fermented and aged

**Final Analysis:** pH 3.15, TA 6.9g/L, Alcohol 12.74%, RS 10.5g/L

**Vineyard Source:** 97% Chalice 3% Sharf

Iris produces world-class, award winning wines from grapes grown at our Chalice Vineyard. The cool climate in the foothills of the Oregon Coast Range allows the grapes to mature slowly while maintaining the proper acid balance that is essential for producing the finest Pinot Noir, Pinot Gris and Chardonnay.



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91 Points Wine Enthusiast  
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Gold at the San Francisco Chronicle  
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