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VALLI VINEYARDS LIMITED

## Valli Waitaki Vineyard Pinot Gris 2023

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### Viticulture

Location:	Grant's Road, Waitaki Valley - North Otago
Climate:	Maritime-influenced
Altitude:	200m (656 Feet)
Clones:	Barrie, GM2
Soils:	Limestone-based soil spread through river gravels
GDD:	Approximately 918
Rainfall:	Approximately 351mm
Vine Age & Density:	Planted 2005 at 4167 vines / Hectare
Yield:	5 Tonnes / Hectare
Trellis System:	VSP
Pruning:	Spur & Cane

### Winemaking

Harvest Date:	22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2023
Brix:	22
Bottled pH:	3.22
Bottled TA:	6.04g/l
Residual Sugar:	<2g/l
Peak Fermentation Temp.:	20 °c
Fermentation Vessel:	48% neutral white barrels/52% stainless steel tank
Filtering:	Sterile
Alcohol:	13.5%
Total Bottles Produced:	740 dozen

Small bunches (average 75g) were hand-harvested from three neighbouring vineyards on the 22nd April 2023. Both lots were whole bunch pressed for gentle extraction. After overnight settling, 48% was racked to neutral white barriques and the rest was racked to a stainless steel tank. The fermentation was intentionally long and slow with partial malolactic fermentation occurring and delayed sulphuring which resulted in a dry and finely textured wine. It spent 6 months on fermentation lees in both barrel and tank, contributing to the silky texture.

### Tasting Note

"A pale golden hue with aromas of pear blossom, nashi pear, lemon, cream soda, and sea salt. The palate is complex and layered with flavours of crunchy pear, lemon zest, lime juice, and green apple; complementing a finely textured palate with great flow and salivating acidity. This sophisticated young wine is both charming and intense. It aptly captures the ethereal nature of the Waitaki and has great ageing potential. This Pinot Gris is engaging on its own but shows real magic when paired with delicious cuisine."

*Jen Parr - 15th November 2023*

