



CARDWELL HILL CELLARS

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2021 OREGON WINERY OF THE YEAR WINE PRESS NORTHWEST

2021 Estate Bottled Pinot Gris

VINEYARDS CERTIFIED SUSTAINABLE by LIVE AND SALMON SAFE

The 2021 harvest promises to be one of the best in years. Our cool site at the foothills of the coastal range produces outstanding quality fruit. Oregon growers introduced Pinot Gris to the Willamette Valley because it thrives in the same region or *terroir* as Pinot Noir. Pinot Gris (or Pinot *Grigio* as it is known in Italy) is a variant or mutation of Pinot Noir with a light gray skin color. Cardwell Hill planted Dijon clone 152 and uses sustainable agriculture practices to produce premium quality fruit.

The grapes reflect an early start followed by somewhat cooler weather that produced a unique crop of bright wine with higher acid. This is reflected in expressive fruit flavors integrated with a backbone of acid and a sweet touch.

A state-of-the art automated press is utilized in whole cluster pressing of the fruit. The juice is then cold settled for about 48 hours and raked off the lees before fermentation. Primary fermentation was achieved in stainless steel equipment followed by cold stabilization.

Vineyard:	100% Cardwell Hill Cellars
Vinifera:	Dijon Clone 152
Harvested:	End of September 2021
Brix:	22 – 23.5
Alcohol:	13.1%
pH:	3.04
R.S.:	0.9%
Bottled:	January 2022
Production:	1333 cases

Rich and supple, this expressive wine pulls together apple, white peach and pear fruit flavors. A touch of supporting acidity keeps it fresh and balanced. The finish is crisp and clearly defined.

Pinot Gris is a perfect compliment to lighter fare such as salads and seafood. It can be served as an alternative to sparkling wine. This estate-bottled wine is solely produced from our vineyards that are organically farmed and certified sustainable by Salmon Safe and LIVE (Low Input Viticulture and Enology.) Drink by end of 2026.