





Vineyard: Seifried Brightwater and Rabbit Island Vineyards

Sugar at Harvest: 21.8°Brix Date of Harvest: Mid March 2018

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Residual Sugar of Wine: 2.7g/L Suitable for Vegetarians and Vegans: Yes

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## The Vineyard

The 2018 Seifried Nelson Pinot Gris is a 50/50 blend of Pinot Gris from our Brightwater and Rabbit Island Vineyards.

The Brightwater vines are grown in an extremely stony area of the vineyard where water and nutrient levels are low. This helps us to restrict the plants' vigour and to crop at low levels. Our Brightwater Vineyard is situated 15km from the coast and is sheltered from the south by the Richmond ranges. The 'soil' is a combination of rocks and boulders which is very hard on the farm equipment but vital for holding the warmth of Nelson's sun and for ripening the Pinot Noir grapes.

The Rabbit Island vineyard is situated on a wide river at. e soil is gravelly sandy loam, which marks the sites of Maori kumara beds (sweet potato) prior to European settlement in the early 1800s. The Maori transferred and spread fine gravel and sand over the land to provide suitable soils for their kumara plantings. Scrub was burned to give ash and charcoal, which increased soil fertility and gave characteristic topsoil. This fertility is now considerably reduced due to modern farming. The soils are, however, very sandy and free draining. The water table is relatively high ensuring adequate underground water. These vineyards are about 1.5 kilometres from the sea, which helps moderate summer temperatures.

## Winemakers Note

The Pinot Gris was harvested from vineyard blocks comprising differing soils, micro-climates, and clones, as well as different aged vines. The parcels were harvested and fermented separately prior to blending at a much later stage. The resulting wine has a broad palate and is full-flavoured, bringing a unique and complex spectrum of characters to the finished wine.

## Tasting Note

The 2018 Seifried Nelson Pinot Gris has ripe peach nose on the nose with floral and green apple tones. Generous fruit and a broad flavoursome palate leaves a lasting impression.

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