## Clos du Soleil

Winemaker's Series
Whispered Secret Vineyard
Pinot Gris 2020

## **Technical Information**

pH: 3.05 Titratable Acidity: 7.1 g/L Residual Sugar: 0.0 g/L Alcohol by Volume: 13.5%

Harvest Date: September 29th & 30th, 2020

Bottling Date: March 9th, 2021

Vineyard Sources: Whispered Secret Vineyard, Keremeos, Similkameen

Valley, BC

Varieties: 100% Pinot Gris

Total Production: 527 cases

SKU: +118326 (750mL)

## **Tasting Notes**

A nuanced and complex expression of Pinot Gris, on the nose this wine presents the taster with aromas of ripe nectarine skin, fresh pear juice and lemon zest. On the palate the wine is dense with flavours of ripe nectarine, peach, pear and crisp apple, with a streak of stony minerality. It has a fine-grained texture in the mouth, leading into a long, juicy finish of stone-fruit flavours complemented with zingy citrus acidity. The firm structure but concentration of ripe fruit flavours means this wine is easy to enjoy by itself, but has the richness to pair with many foods: summer salads, chicken with poached pears, or glazed pork would all be excellent pairings.

## Winemaking Notes

The grapes for this wine were grown on our Whispered Secret Vineyard, a cooler site on the south side of the valley, ideal for flavour development while maintaining beautiful acidity. The fruit quality was excellent so the winemaking focused on preserving that which nature gave us. We pressed the fruit whole-cluster immediately after hand-harvesting, and fermented it in a combination of stainless steel barrels, tanks, and French oak puncheons. The slow fermentation lasted for over a month, and then the wine was aged on the lees for a further 3 months. Other than a light filtration prior to bottling, nothing else was done to this wine – just as nature intended it!

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