



# DOMAIN ROAD *vineyard*

## Domain Road Pinot Gris 2017

Bannockburn in Central Otago is renowned for its ability to produce small quantities of premium wines that win awards worldwide. Here, Defiance Vineyard lies tucked into a sheltered valley where gold miners once fossicked. Remnants of this earlier activity remain, forming a backdrop to the traditional viticulture processes still employed at the vineyard.

Our vineyards, set in this historic gold mining area, embraces the past using a small team to hand tend the vines.

### The Wine

The fruit was hand harvested on 27nd and 28rd March 2017 from our Defiance Vineyard on Felton Road. The fruit was whole bunch pressed and the resulting juice was cold settled for two days before racking and inoculating with selected wine yeasts to undergo fermentation in a stainless steel tank (84%) and older oak barrels (16%) The barrel portion was lees stirred weekly. The tank fermentation was stopped to retain some residual sugar. The two portions were combined before bottling to make a single wine.

The colour of pale straw in the glass our Pinot Gris has a creamy texture, balanced acidity, with good levels of complexity and concentration followed by a long lingering finish. Aromas of fragrant pear, peach, toffee apples, lime and ginger on the nose mingle with a hint of honey and elderflower. Supple and mouth filling on the palate it provides flavours of peach, apple, citrus and ginger along with hints of Central Otago apricot. This is an off dry wine with excellent balance and a long mineral finish.

Food match: This off dry, mouth coating wine would partner well with Asian Cuisine especially Japanese. Also fish and seafood

Variety	100% Pinot Gris
Appellation	Central Otago
Sub Region	Bannockburn
Vineyard	Defiance, Felton Road
pH	3.22
TA	5.84g/L
Harvested at	27th & 28th March 2016
Residual Sugar	11.2g/L
Alcohol	13%
Clones	M2, 457

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