



# DOMAIN ROAD *vineyard*

## Domain Road Defiance Pinot Gris 2018

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 8th and 9th March 2018 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 (86%) and older oak barrels (14%). The barrel portion was lees stirred weekly. The tank fermentation was stopped to retain some residual sweetness These two portions were combined prior to bottling.

The colour of pale straw in the glass our Pinot Gris has a lush creamy texture. Aromas of fragrant pear, peach blossom, lemon and marzipan on the nose mingle with a hint of biscotti. Mouth filling on the palate it provides flavours of peach, pear and juicy stonefruit along with hints of rockmelon. This is an off dry wine with excellent balance and a clean, dry and lingering 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	Felton Road, Bannockburn
Vineyard	Defiance
pH	3.29
TA	4.33g/L
Harvested	8th & 19th March 2018
Alcohol	13.0%
Residual Sugar	11g/L

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