

2017
Grand Klasse
Reserve Pinot Gris
Columbia Valley



Release Date:
Summer 2020

Blend:
100% Pinot Gris

pH:
3.32

Alcohol:
14.3%

Winemaker:
Aryn Morell

Cases:
53 cases

MSRP:
\$28/bottle

The Wine

It's like smelling a ripe pear wrapped in spun sugar, with hints of white blossoms and crushed granite enticing you to smell for more. The palate has volume and polish, with a kiss of sweetness and a pithy citrus- and peach-inflected caramel. A supremely classy wine with tremendous length on the finish.

Fermented and aged in a new French oak 500L barrel for 23 months before being sterile filtered for bottling. A long, warm year led to exceptional acidity and ripeness. Fermenting in barrel provided the perfect amount of aromatic and palate development while imparting just enough tannin to hold the small amount of residual sugar in check.

The Vineyard

Gård Vintners is 100% estate grown sustainably at Lawrence Vineyards on the Royal Slope of the Columbia Valley AVA, featuring seven distinct vineyard sites with elevations ranging 930 feet to 1,675 feet. The combination of elevation and south-facing slope provides a great framework for grape production, while the diversity of the seven locations delivers a high level of complexity to Gård wines. Lawrence Vineyards is certified sustainable by Vinewise.org.

The Grand Klasse Reserve Label

Inspired by the French Grand Cru wines, Gård "Grand Klasse" is our reserve-level program, aptly named in reflection of our Scandinavian heritage. It represents the top tier of Gård wines. To be designated "Grand Klasse," each wine must meet strict standards of quality and is blended, bottled and aged with the utmost of care to bring you the very best of our grapes and effort in the bottle.

The Winery

Gård, meaning "farm" in many of the Scandinavian languages, is a tribute to our family's Scandinavian heritage and farming tradition. Founded in 2006, Gård Vintners is a family-owned and operated estate winery in the heart of Washington's Columbia Valley AVA, with vineyards on the Royal Slope, wine production in Walla Walla with tasting rooms in Ellensburg, Walla Walla and Woodinville.

