

2019
Viognier
Grand Klasse Reserve
Columbia Valley



Release Date:
February 2022

Blend:
100% Viognier

pH:
3.64

Alcohol:
14.1%

Cases Produced:
55

MSRP:
\$32/bottle



The Wine

Intense nose of peach skin, citrus, lemongrass, ginger and caramel graham crackers. Swirling brings up stone fruits, like white peach and apricot, with a citrus blossom note and orange marmalade. The palate is dense with citrus crème brûlée, bright acidity and tension from the new French oak. It finishes with good lift and a resonating note of sweet citrus. This wine will age nicely, but has enough flesh to enjoy in its youth.

The Winemaking

This wine was picked riper than previous vintages to increase our aromatic intensity, and then fermented and aged in a new French oak 600L. We decided to use French oak rather than a Stockinger barrels this vintage to add a touch more sweetness to the aromatic profile. Bottled unfiltered and unfiltered

The Vineyard

Gård Vintners is 100% estate grown sustainably at Lawrence Vineyards, featuring eight distinct vineyard sites in the Royal Slope AVA. With elevations that range 930 feet to 1,675 feet and primarily a south-facing slope, Lawrence Vineyards provides a great framework for grape production, while the diversity of each of the locations delivers a high level of complexity to Gård wines. We also farm vineyards on the Wahluke Slope and Conner Lee in the Columbia Valley. 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. 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 Royal Slope AVA, with vineyards on the Royal Slope, wine production in Prosser, tasting rooms in Ellensburg, Walla Walla and Woodinville and Gård Public House restaurant in Royal City.