



LAWSON'S DRY HILLS  
— MARLBOROUGH —

## TASTING NOTES



### The Pioneer Pinot Gris 2015

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Rich, mouth-filling and spicy with apple pie, fresh pear and honey notes on the nose. This is a characterful wine with lovely texture, rich, intense flavours and a sliver of sweetness which is balanced by a gentle acidity.

#### Vineyards and viticulture

The grapes are all from Sion and Bidy Barnsley's vineyard in the Waihopai Valley, lavished with love and attention by Bidy. The fruit was picked on April 14th with beautifully developed flavours, some shrivel and a little dry botrytis.

#### Winemaking

The grapes were hand-picked and then whole bunch pressed into older French oak barriques where they underwent a slow and gentle wild fermentation over several months. Once fermentation had stopped, the wine was left to rest on its yeast lees for several months before being filtered and bottled.

100% Pinot Gris, Alc 14%, pH 3.76, TA 4 g/L, RS 14 g/L

#### Cellaring

Two to five years

#### Food Match

A perfect match with creamy pasta dishes, poultry, seafood and cheeses or try with roast pork with a stewed pear sauce.



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