

SANDHILL



PINOT GRIS 2008

KING FAMILY VINEYARD

GROWING CONDITIONS

The 2008 growing season began nearly three weeks later than normal and the cooler than average temperatures resulted in delayed budding and flowering of the vines. Summer also arrived late but brought with it warmer temperatures and longer hours of sunlight required for further fruit development.

With autumn arriving earlier than expected, grapes were left hanging longer than usual in order to allow for further fruit ripening. Precipitation was normal and did not interfere with harvest which began in mid-September and extended into November. With fewer berries per cluster, 2008 resulted in a juicy harvest and superior quality wines.

WINEMAKING

- Whole cluster pressed
- Fermented and aged in stainless steel tanks for 5 months

FLAVOUR PROFILE

- Fresh and fruity with aromas of ripe apple, pear, pineapple and a splash of citrus.
- Medium-bodied wine with flavours of pears, peaches and tropical fruit.
- Refreshing acidity with green apples, sweet lemons, and a dusting of sweet exotic spice on the finish.
- Serve not overly chilled at 12 to 14°C with onion and bacon quiche, smoked salmon dishes and sautéed scallops in butter sauce.

WINE ANALYSIS

Alcohol	13%
Dryness Code	0
Sugar	0g/litre
TA	8.7g/litre

Release Date	April, 2009
Cases Produced	6300
CSPC	626002
PID	1044445

BC Retail	\$17.99
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WINEMAKER NOTES

"The King Family Vineyard is located in a cooler area of the Okanagan, close to Naramata. Grapes grown in cooler soils have a more intense and edgy fruit character with a certain amount of fresh liveliness to them. The 2008 vintage is clean, crisp and vibrant on the palate with only a slight hint of tropical fruit flavours. This is what a good, honest Pinot Gris should taste like.

- Howard Soon, Winemaker

A TRUE EXPRESSION OF THE VINEYARD

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VQA OKANAGAN VALLEY VQA