

# 2021 Pinot Gris

## TASTING NOTES

The 2021 Pinot Gris gives a lightly aromatic bouquet of fresh pear, apple and melon. The palate carries a very fresh citrus note with crisp acidity and minerality. This Pinot Gris speaks to a more cool-climate style with a focus on energy and freshness.

VARIETY	100% Pinot Gris
CLONES	PG 146
BARREL AGING	Stainless Steel 3 months
APPELLATION	Carmel Valley AVA
HARVEST DATE	September 17, 2021
ALC/VOL	12.5%
PRODUCTION	170 Cases

## THE VINTAGE

The 2021 vintage has proven to be another cooler growing season with modest yields but exceptional quality. The 2020/2021 winter brought below average rainfall to the Carmel Valley area and overall proved to leave the vineyards with little groundwater supply. Cool, even temperatures, during set allowed for the vines to establish a healthy crop. The season continued with mild temperatures and above average occurrence of fog, allowing for an extended hang-time on the vine. Harvest began with the picking of Pinot Noir and Chardonnay on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of September and ended with the harvest of the 2021 Estate Syrah on the 9<sup>th</sup> of October. Overall, quality is very high from the harvest with wines showing similarities to the 2018 and 2019 vintages. The vineyard continues to mature and complex with age and the results are more apparent in each subsequent year.

## THE VINEYARD

We make a range of wines which demonstrate the unique characteristics of our soil and climate. We take great care from the beginning to the end of production. Our rootstocks and California / Dijon clones are carefully selected. We employ organic and sustainable farming practices, avoiding any pesticides or herbicides. Ultimately, Holman Ranch wines reflect a balance and a complexity, which set them apart.

