

Margerum Wine Company 2012 KLICKITAT Margerum Ranch Vineyard Pinot Gris Columbia River, Washington

The Klickitat Pinot Gris vines are located on the eastern foothills of the Cascade Mountains, in Klickitat County, Washington, pushing the boundaries of extreme cool climate viticulture.

The Margerum Ranch is 100% Estate grown fruit.

Vineyard Region: Klickitat County, Washington

Appellation: American. This is because we grow the fruit in Washington but make the wine in California and they are non-contiguous states.

Vintage Conditions: 2012 harvest posed similar problematic climatic conditions characteristic with this region as with previous years. Cool, wet growing season made it challenging to achieve full ripeness throughout the vineyards. Rigorous bunch sorting and selection ensured only the best fruit was included in the blend.

Maturation: Fermented and matured in a combination of 500 Liter French Oak puncheons and stainless steel tank for 9 months.

Wine Analysis: Alcohol 13.4%, pH 3.22, and TA 8.0g/L.

Production: 77 cases

Winemaker

Winemaker comments:

Color: Straw tinged, bright and vibrant.

Aroma: With the first swirl aromas of poached pear, beeswax and red apple skin leap from the glass. Aromas akin to the red basalt that the vines are grown on form the framework for the aroma profile.

Palate: An explosion of citrus, blood orange, and finger limes combined with wet river stone minerality provide a lean, focused, mouthfeel. The high natural acidity, forms a linear focus, whilst barrel aged Lees contact provides a slight velvety texture rounding out palate.

Peak Drinking: Now-2022+

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