The Wines of Francis Coppola

2025 PINOT GRIGIO

The 2025 vintage started with textbook timing, but a cool summer without extreme heatwaves allowed our Pinot Grigio grapes to enjoy extra "hang time" on the vine, developing deep, complex flavors similar to our spectacular 2023 vintage. While late-season rains required our vineyard teams to pivot beautifully, the white varieties reached absolute maturity with excellent, healthy yields. Now safely in the tanks, this 2025 Pinot Grigio is shaping up to be an exceptionally high-quality vintage defined by vibrant cleanliness, crisp acidity, and superb balance.

RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

The climate of the Russian River Valley is greatly influenced by the fog that rolls in each evening from the nearby Pacific Ocean. This maritime layer cools the vineyards down in the evenings from their daytime temperature by as much as 35 to 40 degrees. This creates conditions that allow for the gradual ripening of grapes, and for the better retention of natural acidity, resulting in a perfect balance.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Our winemaking begins with grapes harvested at the perfect balance of sugar and acidity, which undergo an overnight soak in the press to extract the classic, beautiful copper hue unique to Pinot Grigio. After pressing, a meticulous fermentation process enhances the wine's vibrant inherent characteristics. Finally, the wine ages for four months in neutral Burgundian oak barrels on the fine lees with gentle stirring, imparting a smooth, sophisticated texture to the finished vintage.

TASTING NOTES

This wine offers luminous aromas of lemon zest, sun-ripened stone fruit, and a whisper of fresh minerality. On the palate, a crisp and refreshing texture unfolds into succulent layers of apricot and peach, showcasing the beautiful depth of stone fruit characters. The experience is balanced and harmoniously flowing, carried by a vibrant brightness that transitions seamlessly into a persistent finish that lingers with elegant poise. Savor on its own, or pair with delicate sushi, artisanal goat cheese, or grilled chicken dishes.

APPELLATION: Russian River Valley

BLEND: 100% Pinot Grigio

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

TOTAL ACID: 0.49g/100mL

PH: 3.21

BARREL REGIMEN: Aged in neutral French oak barrels for 4 months

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