



PINOT GRIS 2021

July 2021



MOUNT MAJURA VINEYARD

Mount Majura Vineyard's hand-crafted wines benefit from the unique combination of red volcanic limestone-containing soils, an easterly aspect and a cool climate. These features are consistently expressed in intense, elegant and complex wines. Grapes are sourced only from the Mount Majura Vineyard, in the Canberra District.

PINOT GRIS

Pinot gris is planted in the coolest, most south-easterly 'Pines' block of our site, on the red soil found throughout most of the vineyard. As the vines have matured, ripeness is being achieved at more moderate alcohol. We also focus on the very fresh zesty perfume of the variety, picking relatively early to make a refreshing wine, but adding a little texture and complexity from time on yeast lees.

2021 VINTAGE

Much cooler conditions prevailed this season, with good winter rains leading into a mild season that saw vines flourish. There was some disease pressure, but minimal disease resulted from careful management. Harvest started a week or two later than recent years, and was interrupted by three days of rain just after the whites were finished and before any reds were picked, but reds suffered no damage. Yields were very good, probably because we were able to irrigate through the drought last year. Unsurprisingly, the mild summer and ripening conditions have given lighter wines with excellent aroma and colour.

WINEMAKER

Frank van de Loo came to winemaking with a background in the plant sciences and has completed twenty-five vintages including twenty-one for Mount Majura Vineyard and two in France. For Frank the winemaking process starts with the planting of the vines and he works closely with a dedicated vineyard team, led by Leo Quirk, to craft wines that best express the character of the site.

WINEMAKING

Hand-picked 19-20 March 2021. The chilled fruit was crushed and lightly pressed, then fermented cool in stainless steel. Bottled under screwcap May 2021 (L140521) and July 2021 (L0207211), 1796 dozen made. Alcohol 11.0% by volume. Vegan friendly?: No (fined with gelatin).

TASTING NOTES

The 2021 is very bright and fresh and light on its feet with aromas of tropical fruit, pear and citrus that jump from the glass. A great wine to enjoy young.

CELLARING GUIDE

Drink now to 2026.

ORDERING & AVAILABILITY

Released May 2021, expected to be available until late 2022.

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