



2010

Proprietor's Reserve Pinot Gris



Tasting Notes

Harvest Brix: 24.2

A rich and layered Pinot Gris with aromas of honey, apricot, and peach. This fruit cocktail of lime, tangerine, mango and green apple is so big and tropical, I doubt tasters would ever associate it with Michigan's usual cool-climate wines. But the hot days and cool nights of 2010 produced outstanding reds and whites. The palate is big with alcohol (14.6 percent), silky, dry and minerally, and packed with tart kumquat and lime.

Chantal calls it "Gris" because it's made in the French style with a little oak. (Pinot Grigio is the same grape, but fermented in stainless steel in the Italian style.)”
Sandra Silfven, Detroit News

Pairing Suggestions

Pork, chicken, sausage, bratwurst, aged cheese, cream sauces.

Vineyard Designation

Chateau Chantal Estate Vineyard

Suggested Retail Price

\$20.00

Vintage Year

A warm vintage meant that it reached full ripeness, giving plenty of character to stand up to neutral barrel aging.

Winemaking Methods

Barrel fermented and aged for 7 months in neutral oak with lees stirring, which along with a partial malolactic fermentation, adds richness and texture to the mouth-feel.

Technical Data

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| Blend (if any) | 100% Pinot Gris, Estate Vineyard |
| Bottling Date | 6/10/2011 |
| Cases Produced | 172 |
| Appellation | Old Mission Peninsula |
| Residual Sugar | 0.2% |
| Alcohol at Bottling | 14.6% |
| Total Acid at Bottling | 7.65 g/l |
| pH at bottling | 3.66 |
| Oak usage | 7 months in neutral French oak |
| Bottle Size | 750 ml |

Chateau Chantal is a unique development that combines a winery, vineyards, bed and breakfast, residence, six private home sites, and winding roads, all of which combine to create a memorable experience. The 65 acre site sits high atop a ridge 12 miles north of Traverse City, Michigan on the beautiful and historic Old Mission Peninsula. Chateau Chantal crafts many styles of wine, allowing the grape to dictate the style. The location's unparalleled views and outstanding staff play host to B&B activities, cooking classes, wine education opportunities, Tapas Tours, conferences and meetings, small weddings, and friendly regional wine events.