

# CLAIBORNE & CHURCHILL

## PINOT GRIS

Arroyo Grande Valley



### About the Wine

Remarkably, when we began making white wines in the Alsatian tradition some 30 years ago, Pinot Gris (or Pinot Grigio) was unheard of in California, and virtually no grapes were available. Not until our 16th year were we able to get our hands on enough good Pinot Gris fruit to add this wine to our portfolio of “alternative whites”.

Pinot Gris is one of the four “noble” grapes of Alsace, and at Claiborne & Churchill we make our Pinot Gris in a rich and silky style that emulates the wines of that region. We like our Pinot Gris to have good body and structure as well as fruit and spice. We whole-cluster press our Pinot Gris and barrel-ferment it (in well seasoned, neutral French oak) in order to promote depth and mouth-feel.

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VINTAGE 2015

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SUGGESTED RETAIL \$20.00

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ALCOHOL 13.7%   pH 3.34   TA 6.7 g/l

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RESIDUAL SUGAR 0.25%

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HARVESTED September 14, 2015

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BRIX AT HARVEST 23.5°

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BOTTLE DATE February 24, 2016

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CASES PRODUCED 224   750ml

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VINEYARDS 100% Laetitia Vineyard, Arroyo Grande

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BARREL AGING 100% Barrel fermented in neutral French oak

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