



YOUNGBERG HILL

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### 2022 Aspen Pinot Gris

The Aspen Block, named after the winemaker's youngest daughter, consists of 5 estate acres with 2.5 acres of Pinot Gris and 2.5 acres of Chardonnay at 500 feet elevation.

**2022 Vintage Summary:** As vines began emerging in mid-April, many winemakers experienced frost that damaged buds, with temperatures dropping below 28 degrees. Luckily, our buds were left unharmed because of our elevation and location. June's cool and wet weather meant soil moisture was higher than average, resulting in larger-than-average clusters and lush canopies. We also had to diligently manage our canopies and watch for powdery mildew from the record rainfall. July and August were warm and dry with no big heat spikes, increasing our fruit's sugar levels. Véraison began in late August and drove ripening to September, continuing that pattern for latter-than-average- development. October became the warmest on record, and the last of the ripening accelerated quickly, creating lush and large fruit clusters despite a cool start.

**Tasting Notes:** Escape to the tropics with our 2022 Aspen Pinot Gris. white peach, lime, mango, and papaya aromas open on the bouquet. Flavors of apricot, honeysuckle, and ripe green apple, accented by Meyer lemon, herbs, and mineral tones, boosted the palate with a bright, robust body and vibrant acidity. This Pinot Gris finishes with undertones and wet shells, and Asian pear.

**Pairing Suggestions:** The sweet fruity nature of the Pinot Gris enhances anything spicy or boldly flavored with its smooth finish like your favorite BBQ, seafood, pork, roasted vegetables, a bagel with cream cheese and lox, lemon chicken, hot & sour soup, dim sum, a Cubano sandwich, or bánh mi.

### Technical Information:

American Viticulture Area (AVA): McMinnville, Willamette Valley

Planted: 2006

Harvest Date: October 18th

Case Production: 112

Soil Type: Marine Sedimentary (Willakenzie soil)

Vine Clones: 146/152 Clone on 3309 Rootstock

Oak Regimen: 100% stainless steel

Alcohol: 13%

Brix: 22.4

Residual Sugar: <1%

Retail: \$35