ASTROLABE

2022 KĒKERENGŪ COAST PINOT GRIS

VARIETY

pinot gris

GRAPEGROWERS

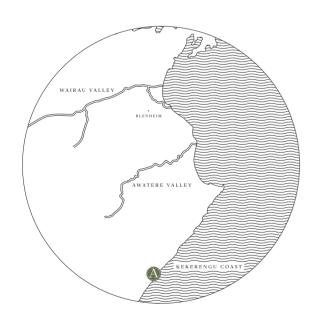
Grown at Sleepers Vineyard by Chris and Lynne Wilson.

LOCALITY

Kēkerengū Coast, Marlborough, New Zealand.

SPECIFICATIONS

Alcohol 12.5% Residual sugar 1.3 g/l Total acidity 6.3 g/l pH 3.42



VITICULTURE

Climate: An early budburst with warm weather through to a dry and sunny November. Rains in October and December set up the canopy for strong growth with some issues with fungal diseases. January was dry and helped reduce the mildew pressure. High February rain fall caused some botrytis issues while giving a helpful boost to the canopies. Berries sized-up with the available water, and the yields were enhanced. Although the vineyards were delicately poised regarding botrytis pressures, a dryish March and April allowed our fruit to attain targets for flavour and maturity in good condition.

Soils: A slightly elevated river terrace of deep silt loam interspersed with fragmented limestone.

Vine Management: Standard trellis, with pruning to two to four canes, and vertical shoot positioning. Vines are trimmed closely, well tucked and lightly leaf plucked.

Harvest Date: The 9th of April, 2022.

WINEMAKING

The fruit was hand harvested and wholecluster pressed to minimize phenolic extraction. Only free-run juice was used and fermented with full grape solids at low temperature to retain the subtle flavours and to impart a rounder texture.

Bottled 3rd August, 2022.

Simon Waghorn - Winemaker Waghorn Family Wines