

# TASTING NOTES



B & W Wines

## ELK COVE WILLAMETTE VALLEY PINOT GRIS, 2014

### BACKGROUND

ELK COVE VINEYARDS IS ONE OF OREGON'S OLDEST AND MOST RESPECTED WINE PRODUCERS. FOUNDED IN 1974, BY PAT AND JOE CAMPBELL, OUR FOCUS HAS ALWAYS BEEN TO PRODUCE HAND CRAFTED, ESTATE GROWN WINES THAT CAN RIVAL THE BEST IN THE WORLD. ELK COVE VINEYARDS ESTATE VINEYARDS NOW COVER OVER 220 ACRES ON FOUR SEPARATE SITES IN THE NORTHERN WILLAMETTE VALLEY. STEEP SOUTH FACING SLOPES, OF WILLAKENZIE AND LAURELWOOD SOIL TYPES WITH EXCELLENT DRAINAGE, PROVIDE THE PERFECT ENVIRONMENT TO GROW THE WORLD CLASS WINE GRAPES THAT ARE THE BASIS FOR CREATING ELK COVE WINES. PROPER SITE SELECTION AND METICULOUS VINE MANAGEMENT ALONG WITH HARVESTING AT VERY LOW YIELDS CREATES THE CONCENTRATION AND DEPTH OF FLAVOUR THAT ARE HALLMARKS OF ELK COVE WINES.

### WINEMAKING

THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY HAS THE PERFECT CLIMATE FOR THIS DELICATE COOL WEATHER WHITE WINE. WE HAVE ENOUGH SUNLIGHT AND WARMTH FOR RIPENING, BUT OUR COOL EVENINGS HELP RETAIN VARIETAL CHARACTER AND PREVENT OVER-RIPENING. WE WHOLE-CLUSTER PRESS OUR PINOT GRIS GRAPES, THEN FERMENT THE JUICE AT VERY COOL TEMPERATURES IN SMALL STAINLESS STEEL TANKS. THIS GENTLE TREATMENT PROTECTS THE AROMATIC QUALITIES AND ENHANCES THE NATURAL RICHNESS OF THE PINOT GRIS GRAPES, CREATING OUR MOST POPULAR WHITE WINE.

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PALE LEMON TEMPTS WITH HIGH AROMATICS - PINEAPPLE AND GRILLED PLANTAIN MEANDER INTO NOTES OF YELLOW PEACH, FRESH GINGER AND HONEYDEW. A MELON SOFT TEXTURE UNFOLDS WITH MEYER LEMON AND PEACH PRESERVE HINTING AT UNDERTONES OF GINGER SPICE, HIBISCUS AND RHUBARB.

### REVIEWS

92 POINTS AND "EDITOR'S CHOICE" FROM WINE ENTHUSIAST MAGAZINE



**VINTAGE:** 2014

**WINERY:** ELK COVE ([HTTP://WWW.ELKCOVE.COM](http://www.elkcove.com))

**REGION:** NORTHERN WILLAMETTE VALLEY, OREGON

**AVAILABILITY:** AVAILABLE NOW IN CONSIGNMENT

**CASE QUANTITY:** 12 BOTTLES PER CASE

**BOTTLE SIZE:** 750 ML

**COMPOSITION:** PINOT GRIGIO / GRIS (100%)



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