



## CABLE BAY RESERVE PINOT GRIS 2019 Waiheke Island

Cable Bay Vineyards is dedicated to crafting exquisite wines known for their subtlety, elegance and depth. Taking an Old World approach and combining it with New World techniques, Cable Bay's opulent wines are a stylish reflection of the land where they began.

All of Cable Bay's vineyards are accredited with SWNZ (Sustainable Wine Growing New Zealand).

<b>WINEMAKER</b>	Chloe Somerset
<b>VARIETIES</b>	100% Pinot Gris
<b>VINTAGE</b>	2019
<b>REGION</b>	Waiheke Island
<b>VINEYARDS</b>	Home Vineyard
<b>ALCOHOL</b>	12.5%
<b>SWEETNESS</b>	Dry
<b>FERMENTATION/AGING</b>	Fermented and matured in a concrete egg for 6 months.
<b>CELLARING POTENTIAL</b>	Enjoy now and for the next 4+ years.

### TASTING NOTE

Fresh grapefruit juice, pacific rose apple, orange blossom and volcanic rock aromas all come together in a striking fusion. The power of the palate is a satisfying if unexpected surprise, packed with texture, creaminess and reassuringly chalky phenolics on the finish. It's well balanced with nice fruit weight through the mid-palate. A well rounded wine from an outstanding year.

### FOOD MATCH

Octopus with fresh citrus flavours. Cheese match – Fresh Goat Cheese, Mozzarella, Gruyere.

### VINEYARDS

Our Pinot Gris grows on a west facing hillside slope just next to our winery on Waiheke Island. The 2019 vintage was fantastic; the whites in particular have a special quality about them, an air of elegance. The vineyard is managed using traditional winegrowing techniques, the bulk of which is done by hand. Our viticulture strives towards quality, while low yields guarantee a richness of flavour.

### WINEMAKING

The grapes were hand-harvested and the grapes led straight into the winery (50m trip). The fruit was whole bunch pressed, directly into our concrete egg for ferment. We kept the ferment a bit warmer, to build body and texture. The wine was matured in the egg on full lees for 6 months, and as a result it developed a lovely creamy consistency on the palate. This wine is naturally un-fined, and bottled with minimal filtration.