



## Spindrift Cellars Pinot Gris 2015

**Appellation:** Willamette Valley, Oregon

**Alcohol:** 14%

**T.A.:** 5.6 grams per liter

**pH:** 3.24

**R.S.:** 0.33%

### Wine:

The 2015 Spindrift Pinot Gris shows what a winemaker using perfectly grown grapes and careful winemaking can create. A light scent of honeysuckle, citrus and a hint of spice introduce the wine. Rich creamy pear, apple, Meyer lemon, and peach flavors mingle, balanced by a little hit of citrus and a refreshing minerality. The 2015 fills your mouth and the finish goes on and on, until you just must take another sip. The classic food pairing for Pinot Gris is salmon, but this wine would be great with spicy Asian cuisine like green curry.

### Winemaking:

Whole cluster pressed and fermented in 100% stainless steel tanks with along cool fermentation to retain fruit flavors and aromas.

### 2015 Growing Season:

The 2015 vintage started with bud break in March, two weeks early in our region. The early trend continued with higher than normal temperatures through spring, which created exceptional conditions for bloom, flower and fruit set. As spring gave way to summer, conditions continued to be warmer than usual and consequentially grape clusters were far larger than typical. All in all this has been one of those all too rare vintages where you get high yields and outstanding exceptional fruit quality.

### Vineyards:

Three small vineyards all located in the heart of Willamette Valley, Oregon make up our Spindrift Cellars 2015 Pinot Gris. Miracle Vineyard (3 acres), Newton Creek Vineyard (1 acre), and Deerhaven Vineyard (5.5 acres). Deerhaven Vineyard was planted in 1997 an all together is a 8.5 acre vineyard at the base of the Oregon Coastal hills in Philomath, Oregon. This vineyard producing 5.5 acres of Pinot Gris, Pinot Blanc (1 acre), and Pinot Noir (2 acres). Our winemake

Spindrift Cellars is the "little winery that could", built by the hard work and passion of a dedicated husband and wife team. They started small, focusing on producing crisp, quality wines that display the true varietal characteristics of the grape. A great bottle of wine starts with great grapes, and our winemaker; Matt brings 20 years of experience and expertise to the husbandry of the vineyards in his care. Using "sustainable" practices he strives to produce fine wines that are sustainable from vine to bottle.

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