



Nestled in a pristine alpine valley in southwestern Oregon's rugged Siskiyou Mountain range, Foris Vineyards has been a true viticultural pioneer for over thirty eight years. Specializing in Alsace varietals and Pinot Noir, Foris Vineyards consistently garners accolades for both quality and value. The dramatic natural beauty and purity of our surrounding environment is reflected in the vibrant epicurean wines that have earned us a place in some of America's finest restaurants and wine shops.

2016 Pinot Gris

"Rogue Valley"

Foris wines are defined by the uniqueness of the Illinois Valley, home to our estate vineyards and winery. A part of the western most reaches of Southern Oregon's Rogue Valley Appellation, the valley is distinctive in its alpine attributes. Having been grape growers for over thirty-eight years, we have found that Alsace white varieties are especially well suited to our microclimate. As with all great vineyards the world over, our wine style is a reflection of the nature of our vineyards. We strive for a purity of fruit and concentration of flavors that result from all of our hard work in the vineyards.

Similar to the 2014 and 2015 vintages, 2016 arrived early with very warm temperatures at the onset of harvest pushing the ripening curve well ahead of historic norms. With another year of harvesting at night, we felt fortunate to be able to bring cool, freshly harvested, vibrant grapes into the winery at the first light of dawn. With Pinot gris and its grayish/purple skin, the warmer the fruit, the more color and bitterness can be extracted during whole cluster pressing, which we avoid in pursuit of a delicate wine with good texture, body and a crisp finish.

Aromas of wildflowers, clover honey, Bartlett pear and Honey Crisp apple lead into flavors of nectarine, lemon curd, Granny Smith apple and Kiwi creating a mouthwatering tension of luscious fruit and racy acidity.

Harvested 9/7/16-9/11/16

Average brix at harvest: 22.9

Analysis at bottling: 3.28 pH, 7.65 g/L TA, 14.0% alcohol, 2.7 g/L RS

Bottled February 2017

Cases Produced: 4,602