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## 2024 INNES VINEYARD

### GRAPE VARIETY

100% pinot gris grown by the Innes family at Littlehampton in the Adelaide Hills.

### TECHNICAL DETAILS

Harvest Date: 6 March | Alcohol: 13.5% | pH: 2.98 | Acidity: 6.77g/L

### MATURATION

Fermented in stainless steel and held on lees in tank for 6 months with regular stirring to build complexity.

### WINE DESCRIPTION

Pale straw in colour. Aromas of fresh-cut pear and guava, with bursts of white florals, almond blossom, passionfruit flower and ginger. The palate is rich and bright with white nectarine, pear and passionfruit, and beautifully balanced with hints of clover honey and juicy apple-like acidity, for a textured, crisp finish.

### BACKGROUND

The Adelaide Hills has an altitude ranging from 400-600m and rainfall of around 700-1000mm. The soils of sandy loam overlying weathered shale and clay provide excellent conditions for viticulture, which was first established in the Adelaide Hills in 1839 by John Barton Hack at Echunga Springs, near Mount Barker. Littlehampton lies on the eastern side of the Adelaide Hills, just 5km from Mount Barker, and has a unique aspect for superlative pinot gris. This wine is named as a tribute to the Innes family, dedicated growers of the Innes Vineyard Pinot Gris for over 25 years. Pinot gris, called tokay d'Alsace in France, grauburgunder in Germany and pinot grigio in Italy, has its origins in France and has become a highly regarded variety around the world.

### VINTAGE DESCRIPTION

The Adelaide Hills entered spring under unusually mild conditions, after a typically damp winter with elevated temperatures and persistent morning fog that lasted right through to summer. An exceptionally cool period enveloped the vines during early flowering, reducing bunch sizes significantly. Nevertheless, the canopies developed well despite the persistently damp mornings and the small bunches developed steadily. Autumn brought great conditions for ripening, bearing fruit with exceptional purity and depth of flavour. A wonderful quality year for pinot gris from Littlehampton.

### CELLARING POTENTIAL

Exceptional vintage;  
15+ years (from vintage).

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