

# NADEAU

*Family Vintners*

## **2009 Pinot Gris**

**Paso Robles**

### **The Winery**

Nadeau Family Vintners is the result of years of effort by Robert Nadeau and his wife, Patrice. Together they renovated a tiny barn in the mountains west of Paso Robles, transforming it into an efficient, well-equipped micro-winery. Old-world styled vineyards have been planted on the slopes surrounding the building...most of the planting is dedicated to dry-farmed, head-trained Zinfandel, with an acre or so devoted to Grenache Noir and Petite Sirah.

### **The Wine**

Pinot Gris is one of the few “grey” wine grapes. The clusters, - when ripe - have coloring which almost makes them look like red wine grapes! Pinot Blanc (AKA Pinot Grigio) is a delicate white wine with subdued fruitiness, which drinks great by itself yet also accompanies delicate fare and cheeses beautifully.

### **The Blend**

100% Pinot Gris

### **The Vital Statistics**

100% Paso Robles Appellation

100% 2009 Vintage

Harvest: August; Sugar @ Harvest: 24.1 Brix; TA: 0.66 gm./100mL; pH: 3.49

Finished Wine EtOH: 14.9% By Vol.

These grapes were pressed (whole-cluster) in a pneumatic bladder press. The resulting juice was chilled, settled, then fermented to dryness in a refrigerated stainless steel tank. The resulting wine was aged briefly in neutral oak barrels until bottling.

The 2009 Vintage yielded only 95 cases.

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