



# THE BLACK CHOOK PINOT GRIGIO 2010

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As the legion of 'chook' lovers grows across the globe and the wines evolve, we are over the chicken wire with this inaugural vintage 2010 Adelaide Hills Pinot Grigio. Delicious, crisp and fresh, this is a wine that struts it's stuff. A wine to get really clucky on, a wine to roost with. A wine for all occasions.

From South Australia's premium cool climate grape growing region the Adelaide Hills, the Pinot Grigio selected is from the Tomich family's vineyard at Woodside in the Onkaparinga Valley.

The unequivocally cool climate and very old podsolic soils over a schitz base of low to moderate fertility make for ideal growing conditions, giving the Adelaide Hills an enviable and growing reputation for magnificent white grapes, like this classy Pinot Grigio. Quality from the 2010 vintage was high due to the optimal ripening periods during February and March.

At optimum ripeness, Pinot Grigio grapes have a light tan skin colour which gives the resultant wine a slightly golden, pinkish hue. Picked in the cool of the evening, this ripe fruit was crushed early in the morning and separately handled to free run and pressings. Both batches were briefly settled, then racked with light solids after which ferment followed.

An inviting nose shows a delicate mixture of fruit, from Granny Smith apple and pear to melon and banana with additional floral notes. On the palate the Pinot Grigio is light and refreshing, balancing citrus with clean minerality. Its savoury character and texture, along with the crisp acidity on the finish, make this wine an excellent food partner!

<b>Winemaker</b>	Ben Riggs
<b>Vintage</b>	2010
<b>Variety</b>	Pinot Grigio
<b>Growing Region</b>	Adelaide Hills
<b>Alcohol</b>	12% alc./vol.
<b>pH</b>	3.18
<b>Residual Sugar</b>	3.5 g/L



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