



# TASTING NOTES

## 2008 AURUM PINOT GRIS



## Aurum Wines

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### Appearance

Crystal clear – very pale lemon

### Bouquet

Intense quince and passion fruit.

### Palate

Off dry, vivacious, with intense pear, quince and tropical fruit flavours, this wine is crisp and full bodied with a rich creamy mouthfeel supported by a mineral backbone and a long lingering aftertaste.

### Technical Analysis

#### Location – 45 degrees South

Low cropping estate grown grapes for this wine were hand harvested in April from Aurum's 45<sup>th</sup> Parallel and Te Wairere vineyards in the Lowburn area of Central Otago.

#### Climate

A long warm autumn with hot dry days and cool nights allowed an extended ripening of fine clean fruit still holding good acidity.

#### Soils

Fluvial, glacial silts and gravels.

#### Vine age

6 – 10 year old vines

#### Trellis Style

VSP

#### Winemakers comments

The grapes were whole bunch pressed to minimise extraction of skin phenolics and cool fermented in stainless steel tanks. The ferment was stopped to maintain a small residual sugar level to balance the acidity.

**Bottled : 13<sup>th</sup> August 2008**

**Alcohol : 12.5%**

**Acidity: 6.2 g/L**

**Residual sugar: 7.2 g/L**