

FRANCIS COPPOLA

DIAMOND COLLECTION

"We truly aspire to the highest quality in all we do, and nothing is more important to these goals than what we do in the wine industry. Our winemaker, Corey Beck, is the magician presiding over the great Francis Ford Coppola wines in Sonoma County."

—Francis Ford Coppola

FRANCIS COPPOLA DIAMOND COLLECTION 2008 PINOT GRIGIO

The Francis Coppola Diamond Collection began in 1997 as an ambitious endeavor to make wines of character and complexity at an affordable price. Sourced from California vineyards that not only have proven track records but are also managed according to our rigorous standards, Diamond Collection wines are classic California expressions that offer fruit-forward, multi-dimensional flavor and immediate drinkability. Our illustrious lineup includes eleven single-varietal wines, plus our flagship red proprietary blend, Claret. These wines are a true labor of love—we invite you to share them with us.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Popularized in Northern Italy where seafood is abundant, Pinot Grigio is a varietal that requires a temperate climate and delicate handling. Our Pinot Grigio is grown in California's cool climate appellations, where the grape performs its best. Picked in the early morning hours, fermented at cold temperatures and finished in stainless steel, Francis Coppola Diamond Collection Pinot Grigio is bright and crisp with an accent of minerals.

The 2008 vintage was tricky across California—severe spring frost damaged the vineyards and a heat wave in late August prompted harvest to begin a few weeks early. On the upside of this, the frost that occurred early in the year diminished the overall fruit yield. Having less fruit on the vines meant that the grapes that remained had more flavor concentration because the vines didn't need to nourish as much fruit. So, in spite of uncooperative weather, our Pinot Grigio delivers good body and balance and beautifully aromatic fruit flavors that pair perfectly with spring rolls, oysters, and barbecued shrimp.

TASTING PROFILE

Appearance Pale straw
Aromas Pear, lime zest, and tangerine
Flavors Green apples, pink grapefruit, and minerals



Corey Beck, Winemaker



Appellation California
Blend 100% Pinot Grigio
Alcohol 12.79%
Total Acid .64
pH 3.44
Barrel Regimen Stainless steel
Released December 2008
Suggested Retail \$15.00

