



NAGAMBIE LAKES

# TAHBILK

EST-1860



## 2018 PINOT GRIS

WINE REGION:	Nagambie Lakes
FRUIT SOURCE:	Tahbilk Estate
GRAPE VARIETY:	Pinot Gris
MATURATION:	Stainless Steel
ACID:	6.0 g/l
pH:	3.15
ALCOHOL:	13.0% v/v



### VINTAGE 2018

The 2018 growing season was dry and warm and perfect for growing premium wine grapes. The winter of 2017 started with a very dry June and below average rains in July and August. Spring continued the theme with less than half the average long term rainfall, and finished with an unseasonably warm November. The vines loved the favourable weather, growing large, healthy canopies and setting good bunch numbers – ideal for optimal yields. Vineyard operations focused on trimming to maintain a balanced canopy, and irrigation to ensure the vines had adequate water and nutrients. Vintage started early February and progressed very smoothly and although it remained warm, cooler nights kept a lid on sugar accumulation so that ripening progression was close to perfect. 2018 promises to be a very good year, the whites have clear varietal definition and crisp fruit flavours, and the reds are bright and varietal, with concentration and depth.

### ABOUT THE WINE

Established in 1860, Tahbilk is located in the premium central Victorian viticultural region of Nagambie Lakes. Purchased by Reginald Purbrick in 1925, five generations of the Purbrick family have been actively involved with the Estate bringing a tradition of pride, hard work and a love of good wine to their unique heritage of being the oldest family owned winery and vineyard in Victoria. The most recent addition to the Estate's white varietal plantings, Tahbilk has 3.4 hectares of Pinot Gris under vine. Looking to the French style with this and future releases, the grapes are harvested later and riper with wines showing texture, complexity and palate weight.

### TASTING NOTE

"In only its second vintage this Estate Pinot Gris from the 2018 vintage mirrors the characters that so appealed in the inaugural release. A delightful fruit driven intensity with pear, citrus zest and peach characters, a musky savouriness and seductive floral notes all embraced by a crisp, lip-puckering fresh acidity. Like the vines that produced it, exalt in its youthful liveliness. Enjoy Now to 2021/2022."

**Alister Purbrick** ~ Fourth Generation  
CEO and Winemaker

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