

# Pinot Grigio di Lenardo 2012

**Country** Italy

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**Region** Northern, Veneto

A wide and temperate agricultural region stretching from Venice to Verona and north to the Alpine foothills. In the west around Lake Garda, are the important generic wines - Valpolicella, Soave and Bardolino. Much of Italy's commercial Pinot Grigio and Merlot is grown further east, but the Prosecco grape makes the region's distinctly fashionable sparkling wine. However the recent popularity of Amarone and Ripasso has really re-established this region as one of Italy's best wine growing areas and quality is out of all recognition from the light carafe wines of the early 80's.

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**Producer** di Lenardo

The family estate, established in 1878, is located in the heart of the Grave district of Friuli, northeastern Italy. The estate's philosophy is to produce wines only from their high density, low yielding vineyards, comprising about 40 hectares, which enables wines of extraordinary quality to be produced. Massimo di Lenardo's efforts have been recognised at the highest level in the 'Gambero Rosso' guide, which rates his wines as the best for price within the Friuli region.

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**Tasting (Long)** The combination of high altitude vineyard, small yields and dedicated winemaking ensure that Massimo di Lenardo's Pinot Grigio has fantastic definition of pure fruit flavours and a wonderful rounded balance. The palate is subtle yet rich with the flavours of peach, pear and melon and there is a soft, creamy texture with fresh acidity to match.

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**Tasting (Short)** The combination of high altitude vineyards, along with small yields, produces a wine of pure fruit flavours and definition. The palate is subtle, rich with flavours of peach, pear and melon and there is a soft, creamy texture with fresh acidity to match.

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**Serving Suggestion** Estimated harvest production 275,000 bottles.

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**Type** White

**Style** Crisp

**Oaked Style** Unoaked

**Body Style** Medium bodied

**Dry / Sweet Style** Dry

**Alcohol Content (%)** 13

**Closure Style** Cork

**Organic / Biodynamic** Normal

**Grape Varieties Percentage**

Pinot Grigio 100%

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