

Harvey Steiman's Recommended Wines From Oregon

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TOP WINES

WINE	SCORE	PRICE
ARCHERY SUMMIT Pinot Noir Willamette Valley Arcus Estate 2003 Dense and dramatic, with layers of raspberry, red plum and red cherry flavors that whoosh through the finish.	95	\$75
BEAUX FRÈRES Pinot Noir Willamette Valley The Beau Frères Vineyard 2004 Subtle, offering a lithe texture, cherry and plum flavors and a distinct stony note. Finish sails on, hinting late at sassafras.	95	\$75
SHEA Pinot Noir Willamette Valley Shea Vineyard Estate 2004 Lithe, supple and expressive, offering layers of white pepper-accented currant and cherry, with a mineral note.	95	\$38
SHEA Pinot Noir Willamette Valley Shea Vineyard Homer 2004 Bright and juicy. A burst of cinnamon-scented blackberry and currant that expands. The finish keeps on going.	95	\$75
BERGSTRÖM Pinot Noir Willamette Valley Shea Vineyard 2004 Rich, ripe and distinctive for its generous cherry and blackberry fruit and layers of spice, loamy earth and coffee notes.	94	\$55
SHEA Pinot Noir Willamette Valley Shea Vineyard East Hill 2004 Vivid, supple and distinctive for the rose petal accents to the red cherry, red plum and blackberry flavors. Superfine tannins. A hint of white chocolate adds interest.	94	\$42
KEN WRIGHT Pinot Noir Willamette Valley McCrone Vineyard 2004 Gorgeous, lithe and supple, with creamy dark berry and floral flavors. Blackberry and currant character linger effortlessly.	94	\$45
ARGYLE Pinot Noir Willamette Valley Nuthouse 2003 A bit hot but expands to show off ripe cherry, blackberry and a faint note of earth and shiso in a veil of toasty oak.	93	\$45
BEAUX FRÈRES Pinot Noir Willamette Valley Belles Soeurs Ana Vineyard 2004 Deep and rich. Cherry, raspberry, white chocolate, spice and floral flavors linger enticingly as the finish rolls on.	93	\$50
BEAUX FRÈRES Pinot Noir Willamette Valley The Upper Terrace 2004 Layers of gorgeous plum, blueberry and currant flavors on a satiny, plush frame, shaded with exotic mushroom notes.	93	\$90
BERGSTRÖM Pinot Noir Dundee Hills Bergström Vineyard 2004 Elegant and refined, with raspberry, blackberry and sassafras flavors, exotic spice notes and an extra-long finish.	93	\$75
BETHEL HEIGHTS Pinot Noir Willamette Valley Casteel Reserve 2004 Lithe, open and appealing for its plum, blueberry and dusky spice aromas and flavors that linger on the harmonious finish.	93	\$45
LE CADEAU Pinot Noir Willamette Valley Diversité 2004 Focused, with a plush texture and blueberry, plum and creamy spice flavors. Finish lingers against crisp tannins.	93	\$45
PENNER-ASH Pinot Noir Willamette Valley Shea Vineyard 2004 Silky, ripe and rich, holding together in a lithe form that lets the cherry, currant, game and dusky spice flavors roll on.	93	\$55

TOP WINES (cont.)

WINE	SCORE	PRICE
SHEA Pinot Noir Willamette Valley Shea Vineyard Wädenswil Clone 2004 Smooth and spicy, with clove and floral overtones to the ripe cherry and plum fruit. Finishes with acidity and creamy oak.	93	\$48
KEN WRIGHT Pinot Noir Willamette Valley Canary Hill Vineyard 2004 Lush and velvety, but restrained. Plum, blackberry and minty cream flavors linger against ultrarefined tannins.	93	\$45
KEN WRIGHT Pinot Noir Willamette Valley Carter Vineyard 2004 Lithe, open and delicate, with blackberry, currant and vaguely mint flavors persisting on a long, velvety finish.	93	\$45

TOP VALUES

WINE	SCORE	PRICE
BENTON-LANE Pinot Noir Willamette Valley 2004 Light and appealing, offering raspberry and strawberry flavors that pick up hints of white pepper and fresh mushroom.	90	\$22
ELK COVE Pinot Gris Willamette Valley 2005 Lithe, supple and appealing for its creamy texture and almond-scented pear and peach flavors.	90	\$18
O'REILLY'S Pinot Gris Oregon 2005 Bright and lively, offering pear, orange marmalade and spice flavors. Finishes dry.	89	\$13
SILVAN RIDGE Early Muscat Oregon Semi-Sparkling 2005 Light and sweet, with a gentle fizz to the lychee and pear flavors lingering on the fresh finish.	88	\$11 500ml
A TO Z WINEWORKS Chardonnay Oregon 2005 Light and appealing for its peach and melon aromas and flavors. Finishes with refreshing acidity.	87	\$14
A TO Z WINEWORKS Pinot Gris Oregon 2005 Bright and lively, with juicy nectarine and subtle spice flavors. Lingers gently on the dry finish.	87	\$12
ERATH Pinot Blanc Willamette Valley 2005 Soft and fruity, with pretty pear and melon flavors lingering on the lively finish.	87	\$14
O'REILLY'S Pinot Noir Oregon 2005 Crisp and appealing, with bright berry flavors and hints of mineral. Open-textured on the finish.	87	\$15
HINMAN Rogue Valley 2003 Light and appealing red blend with pretty orange peel-scented berry and earthy spice flavors.	86	\$13
OAK KNOLL Chardonnay Oregon Unoaked 2005 Bright, clean and refreshing for its white peach and lime flavors.	86	\$10
DUCK POND Pinot Gris Oregon 2005 Smooth and generous with its peach and melon flavors.	85	\$12