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**Red
Burgundy**
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What You Should Know: In France, Burgundy's most famous red wines (labeled Bourgogne) come from the hard-to-grow Pinot Noir grape, intolerant to frost or heat. In Washington, the patience of a handful of growers is being rewarded at cooler sites on both sides of the state. This chameleon-like grape can express itself through a wide range of different terroir, with floral aromas and fruity, earthen-spice flavors.



Rio Vista 2011 Pinot Noir

www.riovistawines.com

This lovely aromatic wine was aged two years in French oak. *Nose:* Dark red plum and red berries with nuances of orange, cola, leather and fresh leaves. *Taste:* Creamy and elegant with silky tannins that glide lithely along earthbound flavors of leather, pie cherry, raspberry, mushroom and clean minerality. **\$42**



Savage Grace Wines 2013 Underwood Mountain Pinot Noir

www.savagegracewines.com

A terroir-driven Pinot sourced from Underwood Mountain. *Nose & Taste:* Delicately balanced with understated aromas and pure palate flavors that serve up a seamless expression of cherry, wild berries, orange peel and sweet spice notes. Finishes dry with pleasing acidity. **\$32**



Spoiled Dog Winery 2013 Estate Pinot Noir Puget Sound

www.spoileddogwinery.com

The Whidbey Island winery specializes in estate grown Pinot. *Nose:* Enticing currants, red plum and pencil shavings. *Taste:* Medium density with vibrant earthy flavors of spiced currants, dark plum and black cherry wrapped around a taut core of tannins that persist through the finish. **\$34**



Tanjuli 2012 Estate Pinot Noir

www.tanjuli.com

Sourced from the winery's Rattlesnake Hills vineyard. *Nose:* Dusty dark red fruit, cola, fig, and a whiff of dried herbs. *Taste:* Supple, pure and elegant, with concentrated ripe raspberry, plum, black cherry and fig, leading to anise, crushed gravel and earthen spice. Fine sweet tannins grace the vibrant finish. **\$32**