

Wine & Spirits

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WHAT: Ready-to-drink Oregon pinot gris and pinot noir from King Estate's entry-level brand.

STANDOUTS: An exuberant 2009 Oregon Pinot Noir (\$18) with juicy red fruit and the stuffing to match, and a bright, succulent '09 Pinot Gris (\$12) with a lean, refreshing grip.

WHERE: Based in Eugene, with fruit sourced from all of Oregon's viticultural regions.

WHEN: Open the Pinot Noir with a smoked trout salad; pour the Gris anytime.

King Estate Winery, Eugene, OR



2009 Oregon Pinot Gris **90 points**

Clean and citrusy in scent, with a soft leesy note, this brisk gris has a peppery phenolic bite that makes it ideal for pairing with whole-roasted fish.

2009 Oregon Pinot Noir **91 points**

As bright and fruity as a Beaujolais, this youthful pinot leads with scents of raspberries and red cherries and a woody bottom note. The flavors are light and fresh, the fruit giving way to a mild amaro-like bitterness. A great pinot to stock up on.

