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2020 Stoller Estate Pinot Noir - Willamette Valley, Oregon

Home of the first Pinot noir vineyard of the Willamette Valley, today the Dundee Hills AVA remains the most densely planted AVA in the valley (and state). To its north sits the Chehalem Valley and to its south, runs the Willamette River. Bill and Cathy Stoller purchased the nearly 400 acre property and crafted the winery's inaugural Pinot Noir in 2001 with a vision of blending vineyard stewardship with environmental sustainability. Stoller Family Estate benefitted immensely from our warmer microclimate with the 2020 vintage, ripening numerous sections well ahead of the tragic wildfires that season. From those earlier ripening blocks, we were able to craft an elegant expression of what would have been a historic vintage. This Pinot Noir has a nose that is bright, showing notes of Bing cherry that is highlighted with hints of minerality, savory herbs, and baking spice. The palate is structured by fine-grain tannins that carry a beautiful vibrancy through the finish. It's medium-bodied with a gentle texture and a fresh, creamy finish. JS 92 PTS

Pairings: Butterflied lamb, lamb chops, chargrilled steak, venison, cassoulet, duck, beef bourguignon, mushroom anything, pepperoni pizza, salmon, and beet salad with goat cheese.

2020 Matthews Winery, Sauvignon Blanc- Columbia Valley, Washington

Horse Heaven Hills is in south central Washington state, geographically bound on its northern border by the Yakima River and in the south, by the larger Columbia River. Its proximity to the Columbia River contributes to a variety of climactic factors that dramatically affect its grapes. In particular, an increase in wind from changes in pressure along the river, which flows from the cool and wet Pacific Ocean, inland to Washington's hot and arid plains, creates 30% more wind than there would be otherwise. Matthews Winery is located in the heart of the Woodinville Wine Country. The boutique winery is owned by a local family and focuses on maintaining production of Bordeaux-style and single varietal vineyard-designated wines. The 2020 Sauvignon Blanc delivers ripe green apple and herbal tones on the palate, along with plenty of minerals and a soft mouthfeel. Enjoy this over the next several years. Notes of fresh citrus, tropical fruits, and honeydew melon. Swirling brings up white tea, sweet green apple, and pineapple rind. The palate has vibrant acidity, good volume, and glossy polish. Flavors of pithy stone fruit and citrus linger on the finish. Vinous 90 PTS, JS 90 PTS

Pairings: Sauvignon Blanc is one of the most food-friendly, white wines. It pairs well with seafood, chicken, green vegetables, and herb-forward sauces like pesto, chimichurri, and mojo sauce.