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2021 Westmount Pinot Noir- Willamette Valley, Oregon

The Willamette Valley runs from the Columbia River in Portland 60 miles south to Eugene. Bordered to the west by the Coast Range and to the east by the Cascade Mountains, the Valley is protected from environmental extremes. The Valley floor is an ancient seabed overlaid with nutrient-rich gravel, silt, rock, and boulders. Westmount's founder, Laurent Montalieu grew up on the Caribbean Island of Guadeloupe and in Bordeaux, France, and studied agricultural engineering at the Institute of Oenology in Bordeaux. He moved to Oregon to Bridgeview Vineyards and in 1995- to WillaKenzie Estate where he worked as partner and winemaker until starting Westmount with Robert Moshier. Located in the heart of the Willamette Valley, Westmount's namesake vineyard has over 100 planted acres and over 110,000 vines. Westmount's vineyard team focuses on sustainability and quality because great wine is made in the vineyard. This Pinot Noir has aromas of cherry cola, black coffee, nutmeg, and cranberry tart. Graceful mid-palate with refined tannins. Notes of fresh leather and blueberry compote. A classic and complex Willamette Valley Pinot Noir.

Pairings: Roast turkey, Barbecue pork ribs, Mushroom anything, Pepperoni pizza, Salmon, Lamb chops, Lamb chops, Duck breast, and Beet salad with goat cheese

2021 Gundlach Bundschu Mountain Cuvee- Sonoma, California

Home to a diverse array of smaller AVAs with varied microclimates and soil types. Physically twice as large as Napa Valley, the region only produces about half the amount of wine but boasts both tremendous quality and variety. Gundlach Bundschu Winery is a family-owned, sixth-generation producer of distinctive wines of site-specific character. The winery's 320-acre Estate Vineyard, christened Rhinefarm in 1858, is located at the crossroads of the Sonoma Valley, Carneros and Napa Valley AVAs. Gundlach Bundschu approaches its vineyards, wines, business and the world with spirit, creativity and dedication to excellence. This is a Bordeaux-obsessed blend of 57% Cabernet Sauvignon, 39% Merlot, 2% Cabernet Franc and 2% Malbec. featuring layer upon layer of ripe fruit - think boysenberry, cranberry and pomegranate - followed by a hint of toasty oak. This Mountain Cuvée is a medium-bodied, red blend packed with juicy red fruit, black currants and a dark chocolate finish. It has silky tannins and hints of oak and cedar with an elegant structure with a finish that's a real crowd-pleaser. 92 PTS TP, 90 PTS WE

Pairings: Antipasti, Aperitif, Barbecued Beef Ribs, Barbecued Beef, Kebobs, Grilled Meats, Barbecued red meats, Hamburgers anyway