

	Retail	Savings
<b>\$15.00</b>	<b>\$38.00</b>	<b>61%</b>

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## 2018 Mt. Hood Winery product-timed-pdf - Pinot Noir Columbia Gorge - Over 60% Off Oregon Pinot Noir

### Why We're Drinking It

We have some more killer Pinot Noir from Oregon (that we scored for you at over 60% off!!). And not just any Oregon Pinot from the Willamette, we're detouring north to the very unique and super boutique Columbia Gorge AVA.

Though often overshadowed by its much more distinctive southern sibling, the Columbia Gorge has several interesting topographical factors, not limited to just straddling both Oregon and Washington states. As a 40 mile stretch of land sandwiched between Mt. Hood and Mt Adams in the Cascades, it has immense variances in climate, altitude, and therefore styles of wine. It calls itself the "world of wine in 40 miles" which, when you're running the gamut from Pinot Noir, Zinfandel, Cabernet, Riesling, Syrah, Sangiovese and a host of other varietals, it makes sense.

Most producers in the Gorge produce less than 5000 cases a year, making it a hot spot for small, artisanal wineries that are very hard to find outside of the Northwest. Mt. Hood Winery is one of them, located on a century-year old farm and run by a family with an extensive lineage in fruit-growing. They snagged the talents of industry veteran, Rich Cushman, who's received a host of accolades through his tenure in the Willamette and in the Columbia Gorge (and got his start at Germany's Burklin-Wolf estate!).

Their Pinot Noir is a lovely, bolder expression of the grape composed of notes of black cherries, plums, rose hips, dried herbs and hints of clove, smoke and cocoa nibs. At \$15, this is a perfect, everyday Pinot that pairs with all the favorites.

Remember, buy 6 and it's only \$90 with shipping included. Enjoy your weekends!

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### Tasting Notes

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**VARIETAL**  
Pinot Noir  
**APPELLATION**  
Columbia Gorge  
**ALCOHOL**  
13.40  
**SIZE**  
750ml  
**BLEND**  
Pinot Noir

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### The Story to Know

With five generations of fruit growers in the Bickford family on a century-old farm in the beautiful Hood River Valley, the Mt. Hood Winery produces quality vintages on its fertile, well maintained land.

Mt Hood Winery near Hood River Vineyard. The tasting room now sits on 20 acres of estate vineyards, opened in 2009 with, Steve and Don Bickford's vision of expanding with a hospitality venue. Mt. Hood Winery celebrated its grand opening within days of receiving Century Farm recognition.

Experience in fruit growing along with the wine making craft has allowed the family vineyard to evolve into a full production facility. Experienced and meticulous wine makers use proven farming practices and recipe techniques to craft

distinctive wines every season.

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