

2018 Boedecker Cellars Pinot Noir Hirschy Vineyard

Also a very deep ruby, the 2018 Pinot Noir Hirschy Vineyard takes on notes of mocha, sun-ripened black cherry, and toasted cedar. Full-bodied and ample with ripe tannins, it's more grounded in its sensibility, with an earth-toned profile, and delivers savory umami richness, with notes of dried porcini on the finish. It's going to hold up well over the next 8 or more years, but I wouldn't bet on the structure softening much. Drink 2023-2030.

Helmed by husband and wife duo Athena and Stewart Boedecker, this urban winery in Northwest Portland is making some very solid wines indeed, with some impressive longevity, as indicated by the inclusion of two wines in this tasting from 2004. As they over-vintage their wines, the 2019s are their current releases. The Athena and Stewart bottlings give each of the partners their own creative freedom to produce two separate wines from the same vintage, tailored to their own tastes, and offer a fun way to explore what the vintage has to offer.