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I have three passions: wine, cycling, travel, family, and math.



The Top Ten American Pinots from the Fourth Annual Blind Tasting of American Pinot Noir

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As I mentioned last week, Monday, and yesterday, I tasted 48 American Pinot Noirs a couple of weekends ago. With the help of three other wine writers here in Houston, I was able to taste through the wines blind, which means that I did not know which wine was ever in my glass (well, my four glasses, as I tasted that many at a time). Today, I am also including what I consider to be the top wines from the endeavor, which are included after the last 12 tasting notes, below.




DOMAINE CARNEROS.
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2018 Domaine Carneros Pinot Noir Estate, Carneros, CA:

Retail \$44. Medium to dark with a lovely nose yet again. Holy cow. Great fruit and spice. On the palate this is quite lovely and certainly whoa worthy.
OUTSTANDING. 93 POINTS.



As for my own “top wines”? Whoa. It was really difficult to choose, but here they are:

2019 Domaine Carneros Pinot Noir Estate Clonal Series – Dijon 777 (\$60)