

2008 Spell Pinot Noir

WHO: Spell Winery WHAT: Pinot Noir

WHERE: Russian River Valley, California

WHEN: 2008

Opening is a bit alcoholic, which belies what is underneath—a nose of briar and blackberries and light chocolate. Brilliant sweet fruit, like cranberries with sugar. Languorous finish. Not overly complex, but lovely nonetheless. Simple food is best with this, like grilled lamb or, for you vegans out there, grilled eggplant. Highly recommended. GT

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