

Pinot Noir from 2 worlds

The French Connection

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One of my favorite grape varieties is pinot noir. You will find him in classical Europe as well as in the New World wine countries (South Africa, New Zealand, USA, Chile). So new is that world no longer, but in terms of wine it is a youngster compared to France. Nevertheless, it remains a world of unlimited possibilities; There may be one more. This was the reason for Jean Claude Boisset, of the classic Burgundy Maison Boisset, to move the borders and to make wines of the great Pinot Noir grape in California. Gall & Gall got that wine in the assortment and I Love Food & Wine got an invitation to taste the differences.

The motto of Jean Claude is: 'When people are silent, the earth can speak.' And that's exactly the big difference, that earth, the terroir, that makes its wine special. Because of course Boisset's workmanship also went to California. The same grape, the same way of wine, but because of the difference in terroir, another result is found in the glass.

Try the differences

During this special tasting we received five wines from classic Europe and five from California. I taste many wines from all over the world, and during this tasting my experiences were confirmed.



Boisset Burgundy collection

The **pinots from California** are **accessible**, beautiful around, have a little more alcohol and therefore a little sweetie. Delicious wines, fantastic to combine with a nice meal. The **Burgundy are of a different caliber**; understated, very elegant and slightly closed. But over the course of a meal, they get loose and show a great development in the glass. The comparison between the two

has been made quick. The somewhat distant and seemingly cool elegant Française versus the spontaneous and candid Californian. But, both the Californian De Loach wines and the JC Boisset wines from Burgundy both show the Boisset craftsmanship. That will test you, and then it's a matter of **personal preference**.

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Now for sale at Gall & Gall

Recently, this high-quality wine is also available for sale at Gall & Gall. The **US Boisset wines** come from De Loach Vineyards, sales of € 20, - to € 68, - for a sublime De Loach Estate Vineyard in the Russian River Valley in 2014.

The **Burgundy** comes from the most renowned AOPs, such as Aloxe, Chambolle-Musigny, Chorey-lès-Beaunes. The sales prices range from € 14, - for an AOP Burgundy to € 149, - for a truly amazing JC Boisset Clos de la Roche 2014 from Morey-Saint-Denis.