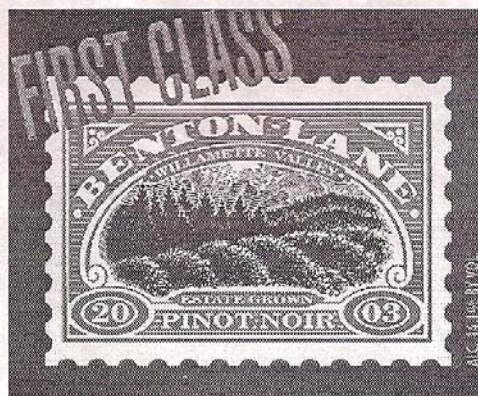




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The **2003 Pinot Noir, First Class, Willamette Valley, \$40**, was aged for 16 months in French oak and one year in the bottle before release. It has aromas accented with a hint of sweetness of earth, smoky oak, and charred roast. Juicy, mouthfilling flavors of the same are laced with good acidity and slightly dry tannin and finish broad, long, and very spicy. Well balanced, structured, and integrated. Good.