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FEATURE WINE

Argyle 2025 BloomHouse Pinot Noir

Always a great Thanksgiving red, an Pinot Noir: Argyle 2025 BloomHouse Pinot Noir from the Willamette Valley. Argyle was born as Oregon's first sparkling wine house, but they have been making quality Pinot Noirs for many years now, and we consistently have at least 1-2 of their products in the store. "Showcasing the best of the cool vintage, BloomHouse Pinot Noir's juicy acidity and polished tannins make for a perfect compliment to any meal. Like the delight that it is, ruby red cherry fades into dark fruit at the edges with hints of rich earthy undertones." Medium body, juicy fruit, a hint of spice and an earthy finish... it's everything you want it to be and a real crowd pleaser at $26.99. It also has the added bonus of being a very pretty bottle for the table. Too pretty to drink? Not quite.

WINE PICK

Decugnano dei Barbi 2025 Villa Barbi Orvieto Classico

Another new white that will be great for the holiday season, Decugnano dei Barbi 2025 Villa Barbi Orvieto Classico. We haven't had a new Orvieto in a long time, so this one is exciting. A blend of 50% Grechetto, 20% Sauvignon Blanc, 20% Vermentino, and 10% Procanico (even I haven't heard of that one), it's from the Orvieto DOC in Umbria, Italy where wine has been grown on the land since the 1200s. In 1978, Claudio Barbi found the land Decugnano in a state of abandonment and decided to renovate the vineyards and construct a winery. So now we know where Villa Barbi gets its name... nothing to do with Barbie, okay? This $19.99 bottle is mineral-driven from the marine soils, with vibrant freshness and crisp green apple, Meyer lemon, white peach, and stone on the palate. It's similar to other Orvietos we've carried but with some zing from that added Sauvignon Blanc, $19.99 a bottle.