

ITALY

Veneto / Pinot Grigio & Other White

88 Remo Farina Bianco di Custoza 2009 \$14

A juicy white, with good citrusy acidity balancing the peach, persimmon and smoke notes. Shows a streak of minerality, with a fresh, white pepper-tinged finish. Drink now through 2014. 300 cases imported.—A.N.

88 Zenato Lugana San Benedetto 2009 \$14

Apple blossom and honey notes accent the persimmon and quince fruit flavors in this pretty white. There's a smoky mineral baseline, with a clean, citrus-tinged finish. Drink now through 2013. 3,100 cases imported.—A.N.

86 Alois Lageder Pinot Grigio Delle Venezie Riff Terra Alpina 2009 \$10

This balanced whiteshows hints of tangy white peach, tangerine and grapefruit, with a spicy thread throughout and a stony finish of peach pit. Drink now. 75,000 cases made.—A.N.

85 Aldegheri Pinot Grigio Veneto 2009 \$13

Hints of petrol and smoke accent the apple and pear pastry character in this lightly honeyed white. There's juicy acidity for balance, and the petrol and smoke notes linger with a hint of almond on the finish. Drink now. 800 cases imported.—A.N.

85 Bella Sera Pinot Grigio Veneto 2009 \$8 See Best Values, page 78.

85 Fontana d'Italia Pinot Grigio Delle Venezie 2010 \$11 There's a pleasant grassy undertone to this Pinot Grigio, with a touch of chive accenting the verbena and lemongrass flavors. Clean and fresh, with a moderate finish. Drink now. 1,232 cases imported.—A.N.

85 Italice Pinot Grigio Veneto 2009 \$7 Light-bodied, with creamy flavors of apricot, apple jam, lilac and bergamot. An aromatic wine, with subtle, refreshing acidity. Drink now. 1,000 cases imported.—A.N.

85 Anna Spinato Pinot Grigio Marca Trevigiana 2010 \$10 Easy-drinking, with aromatic notes of mandarin orange, apricot and yellow peach. Lightly spicy, with a tangy finish. Drink now. 5,200 cases made.—A.N.

