



## Tannin Levels in Red Grape Varietals

### Lower Tannins (oaked or unoaked)

- Barbera
- Cabernet Franc
  - Medium tannins
- Corvina
  - Valpolicella
  - Rarely oaked
- Gamay
  - Beaujolais
  - Typically unoaked
- Grenache
- Merlot
  - Medium tannins
- Pinot Noir
  - Often matured in oak
- Tempranillo
  - Spain designation for a young wine with minimum ageing requirements is Joven, which could be unoaked – hard to find outside of Spain

### Higher Tannins (often oaked)

- Cabernet Sauvignon
- Carménère
- Malbec
- Montepulciano
  - Many unoaked
- Nebbiolo
- Sangiovese
- Syrah/Shiraz
- Zinfandel
  - Primativo in Italy
  - Medium tannins