

93 Williams Selyem Pinot Noir Russian River Valley Drake Estate Vineyard 2022 \$100 Offers a dark profile, showing black cherry and mulberry reduction notes laced with twinges of earth, rose hip and licorice before ending with a nicely structured feel. Modest cellaring should let this unwind a bit further. Drink now through 2032. 166 cases made.—J.M.

93 Williams Selyem Pinot Noir Russian River Valley Mass Selection Estate Vineyard 2022 \$125 Ripe and forward, offering a gush of steeped raspberry and mulberry fruit paste notes, with swirls of red licorice, potpourri and iris through the gently toasty finish. Drink now through 2031. 130 cases made.—J.M.

93 Williams Selyem Pinot Noir Russian River Valley Olivet Lane Vineyard 2022 \$90 Provides a lovely stream of lilac, hibiscus, cherry, mulberry and singed sandalwood aromas and flavors that stay in lock-step from start to finish, with nice underlying energy. Best from 2025 through 2033. 754 cases made.—J.M.

93 Williams Selyem Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast 2022 \$70 This version sports flavors of mulberry and boysenberry preserves, offering dashes of fig, anise and licorice. Showy on the fruit, with tension on the apple wood-accented finish for balance. Drink now through 2031. 2,239 cases made.—J.M.

93 Williams Selyem Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast Terra de Promissio Vineyard 2022 \$78 A distinct, racy-edged version, with lively elements of savory, sage and saffraas running through a core of enticing raspberry and black cherry compote flavors, showing flint and *sauvage* notes through the finish. Best from 2025 through 2035. 525 cases made.—J.M.

92 Arista Pinot Noir Russian River Valley 2021 \$70 Bright and punchy, offering energetic pomegranate, cherry and loganberry fruit infused with saffraas and hibiscus notes, while fresh and slightly high-pitched acidity gives the finish a racy edge. Drink now through 2031. 1,752 cases made.—J.M.

92 Auteur Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast 2022 \$60 Kirsch and red licorice notes are forward and friendly in feel in this red, with light floral and tea notes helping to add range on the lightly toasty finish. Drink now through 2030. 621 cases made.—J.M.

92 Bohème Pinot Noir West Sonoma Coast Occidental Hills 2021 \$65 A nice, bright, piercing style, with rooibos tea and savory notes leading the way for blood orange and pomegranate fruit. Shows nice tension through the focused and unadorned finish. Drink now through 2032. 226 cases made.—J.M.

92 Davis Bynum Pinot Noir Russian River Valley Lindleys' Knoll 2021 \$65 This stylish red opens steadily in the glass, with creamy-textured raspberry, cherry and mulberry fruit flavors gliding through, backed by red licorice and mesquite hints on the finish. Drink now through 2032. 105 cases made.—J.M.

92 Chalk Hill Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast 2022 \$29 See Smart Buys, page 82.

92 Cobb Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast 2021 \$65 A piercing, fresh, high-pitched style, showing blood orange and damson plum notes liberally laced with savory and pine hints through the taut, tangy, mineral-accented finish. Drink now through 2028. 950 cases made.—J.M.

92 Dehlinger Pinot Noir Russian River Valley Garbro Ranch 2022 \$50 This pretty version is modest in scale, but everything is in proportion, offering racy notes of raspberry and blood orange laced with sandalwood and rose hip accents through the racy, mineral-tinged finish. Drink now through 2028. 250 cases made.—J.M.

92 DuMOL Pinot Noir Russian River Valley Highland Divide 2022 \$80 Juicy and perfumed, with a mix of pomegranate, cherry, raspberry and plum notes that drive nicely through the lightly toasty finish, where a backdrop of black tea and licorice adds range. Drink now through 2032. 1,430 cases made.—J.M.

92 Merry Edwards Pinot Noir Anderson Valley 2022 \$55 Mulled strawberry, raspberry and damson plum notes carry a pretty rose petal accent in this charming red, while a sandalwood accent frames the finish. Drink now through 2029. 1,120 cases made.—J.M.

92 Merry Edwards Pinot Noir Anderson Valley Dach 2022 \$75 A juicy, fruit-filled version, displaying friendly notes of cherry and boysenberry coulis mixed with flashes of anise, black tea and singed vanilla. Offers a toasty backdrop, but the freshness is there. Drink now through 2030. 320 cases made.—J.M.

92 Merry Edwards Pinot Noir Russian River Valley 2022 \$65 An enticingly ripe version, with a mix of black cherry, raspberry and boysenberry coulis notes joining licorice, bramble and singed apple wood accents. The juicy, engaging finish feels full of life. Drink now through 2032. 4,600 cases made.—J.M.

92 Merry Edwards Pinot Noir Russian River Valley Georganne 2022 \$70 A bold, assertive style, with a burst of black cherry and boysenberry compote notes framed by toast and backed by juicy energy through the violet- and apple wood-tinged finish. A subtle mineral hint peeks in at the very end. Modest cellaring is needed to let this unwind. Best from 2025 through 2032. 355 cases made.—J.M.

92 Emeritus Pinot Noir Russian River Valley Hallberg Ranch 2021 \$48 Succulent flavors of mulberry, boysenberry and blackberry compote roll through this quite ripe version, with hints of singed apple wood and warm fruitcake through the flattering finish. Drink now through 2028. 1,000 cases made.—J.M.

92 Flowers Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast 2022 \$60 A racy, mineral style, with light-bodied bitter cherry and damson plum notes carried by a hint of ocean breeze, while cherry pit and black tea accents on the stylish finish. Drink now through 2028. 31,500 cases made.—J.M.

92 Foxen Pinot Noir Santa Maria Valley Block 43 Bien Nacido Vineyard 2021 \$68 Plump and juicy in feel, with loganberry and mulberry notes framed by light chalky threads, this red is backed by hints of anise and singed balsam wood on the finish. Drink now through 2030. 442 cases made.—J.M.

92 Foxen Pinot Noir Santa Maria Valley Block 8 Bien Nacido Vineyard 2021 \$68 Bursting with pomegranate, damson plum and cherry notes, this light-bodied red is backed by light sandalwood and potpourri accents that linger prettily on the fresh finish. Drink now through 2031. 467 cases made.—J.M.

92 Koehler Pinot Noir Sta. Rita Hills 2022 \$55 This shows nicely coiled energy at the center of its core of black cherry and mulberry fruit, with a piercing sea shell mineral note and savory flecks throughout. Drink now through 2030. Tasted twice, with consistent notes. 100 cases made.—J.M.

92 Lando Pinot Noir Russian River Valley Sauvés La Vie 2022 \$65 An alluring style, offering gently mulled raspberry and blood orange notes infused with rosehip and sandalwood accents, with a pretty, soft, focused feel on the perfumy finish. Drink now through 2029. 250 cases made.—J.M.

92 Migration Pinot Noir Russian River Valley Running Creek Vineyard 2022 \$75 Friendly and open in feel, offering mulled strawberry and cherry notes mixed with hints of sandalwood, potpourri and dried anise. The fresh, pretty finish leans to the floral side. Drink now through 2031. 450 cases made.—J.M.

92 Orfila Pinot Noir Santa Maria Valley Bien Nacido 2021 \$55 Offers delicious flavors of mulberry and blackberry preserves allied to a polished structure, while *sous-bois* and black tea accents infuse the finish alongside a latent mineral hint. Drink now through 2031. Tasted twice, with consistent notes. 535 cases made.—J.M.

92 Papapietro Perry Pinot Noir Russian River Valley Leras Family Vineyards 2021 \$66 This red marries pomegranate, damson plum and mulled raspberry fruit with refined red tea and mineral hints, while a kiss of singed wood lets it all play out nicely on the finish. Drink now through 2030. 988 cases made.—J.M.

92 Papapietro Perry Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast Campbell Ranch 2021 \$66 Displaying blood orange and red currant coulis notes laced with rooibos tea and savory accents, this red shows nice freshness and tension through the finish. Drink now through 2031. 569 cases made.—J.M.

92 Pisoni Family Pinot Noir Santa Lucia Highlands Lucia Estate Cuvée 2022 \$55 This red pumps out mulberry and black cherry coulis notes laced with singed anise and backed by a subtle gloss of toast on the finish. Shows nice underlying ripples of energy throughout. Drink now through 2032. 1,880 cases made.—J.M.

92 Pisoni Family Pinot Noir Santa Lucia Highlands Lucia Soberanes Vineyard 2022 \$70 Fresh, ripe and succulent mulberry and boysenberry puree notes stream through this delicious offering, with light-handed toast, violet and anise notes filling in through the finish. Drink now through 2029. 380 cases made.—J.M.

92 RAEN Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast Royal St. Robert Cuvée 2022 \$75 This shows character, with sage, pepper and chaparral notes peeking out from its core of blood orange and damson plum fruit. A singed balsam wood element frames the finish. Best from 2025 through 2031. 1,950 cases made.—J.M.

92 Red Stitch Pinot Noir Santa Lucia Highlands Soberanes Vineyard 2022 \$70 A frankly ripe red, displaying a mix of warmed kirsch, plum sauce and melted red licorice notes at the core. Shows good underlying energy, with a savory accent and a flash of minerality before offering a strong wood spice element on the finish. Pushes it on the style but will certainly have its fans. Drink now through 2028. 230 cases made.—J.M.

92 Rivers-Marie Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast Silver Eagle Vineyard 2022 \$60 Warmed fruitcake and cherry compote notes form the core in this crowd-pleaser, with light hints of red licorice and singed tea lacing the finish. Drink now through 2028. 395 cases made.—J.M.

92 Rochioli Pinot Noir Russian River Valley 2022 \$98 Plump and juicy, this lush crowd-pleaser offers delicious cherry and raspberry compote notes laced with singed vanilla, red tea and sandalwood accents. Drink now through 2029. 1,321 cases made.—J.M.

92 Sarah's Vineyard Pinot Noir Sta. Rita Hills Rancho La Viña 2022 \$55 This displays seductive notes of black cherry and blackberry compote lined with black tea, mesquite and mulling spice hints. There's a velvety feel through the finish, with just enough cut to keep this lush red honest. Drink now through 2028. 143 cases made.—J.M.



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92 Saxon Brown Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast Fighting Brothers 2021 \$60 Sleek and fresh, offering a long beam of mulberry and plum fruit lined with iris and hibiscus hints, plus a pretty kiss of incense on the polished finish. Should have lots of fans for sure. Drink now through 2029. 576 cases made.—J.M.