

## **The Ultimate Burgundy Reference**

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**Big Basin Vineyards**

**2013 Pinot Noir**

**Santa Cruz Mountains, California**

**Score: 89**

Notes of menthol, wild flowers, spice and sandalwood add breadth to the mix of red and dark pinot fruit aromas. There is good punch and detail to the bold, even robust middle weight flavors that coat the palate with dry extract on the sappy and well-balanced finale. This built-to-age effort is no shrinking violet and while it won't win any awards for elegance it certainly can't be faulted for a lack of character. Moreover if your taste runs to masculine-styled pinots, then this offers good value too.