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**Big Basin Vineyards**  
**2013 Pinot Noir “Alfaro Family Vineyard”**  
**Santa Cruz Mountains, California**

**91 points**

The 2013 Pinot Noir Alfaro Family Vineyard has come together beautifully since I tasted it last year. Dark red cherry, plum, spice and leather are all nicely delineated in the glass. Pliant and expressive, the 2013 speaks to finesse. The Alfaro was done with about 30% whole clusters, low by Big Basin's standards, but an approach that worked beautifully here. – AG