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Big Basin Vineyards
Pinot Noir, 2014
Monterey, California

89 Points

The 2014 Pinot Noir (Monterey County) has come together nicely over the last year. Specifically, the wine has put on quite a bit more flesh, especially through the middle, while retaining its mid-weight personality. The style is intensely savory, with quite a bit of whole cluster influence, yet all the elements are nicely balanced throughout. This is very nicely done. Sadly, there will be no 2015 because of a combination of low yields and high overall quality that resulted in no declassified lots. Fruit sources are Coastview and Olson. (AG)