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93 pts

**2023 Mes Filles Vineyard Chardonnay,
Sonoma Coast**

The 2023 Chardonnay Mes Filles Vineyard is super expressive right out of the gate. It has a bit more body and overall presence than the other Chardonnays in the range, something that is especially critical in this cold, late-ripening year. Hints of apricot, baked apple tart, flowers and spice open first. Soft, plush contours wrap it all together in style.

90 pts

**2023 H. Klopp Vineyard Chardonnay,
Sonoma Coast**

The 2023 Chardonnay H. Klopp Vineyard is an intriguing, dynamic wine. Apricot, white flowers, white pepper and oyster shell take shape in the glass. The Klopp Chardonnay is tightly wound and quite reticent. Even so, it has room to grow. Picking on the early side yields an especially austere style.

90 pts

**2023 Doc's Ranch Vineyard Joann's Block Chardonnay,
Sonoma Coast**

The 2023 Chardonnay Doc's Ranch Vineyard: JoAnn's Block opens with hints of orange peel, mint, dried flowers and chamomile. Light tropical inflections appear later. Weightless and gracious on the palate, the 2023 is an attractive, easygoing Chardonnay to drink over the next handful of years. I would prefer to see more mid-palate depth, as that might help connect the wine a bit more and attenuate the impact of piercing acids on the finish. A second bottle was heavily reduced.

96 pts

**2023 Diane Cobb: Coastlands Vineyard
Pinot Noir, Sonoma Coast**

The 2023 Pinot Noir Coastlands: Diane Cobb is a blend of 18 clones. Dried flowers, autumn leaves, mint, cedar and tobacco open first. Ethereal and brooding, with fine balance, the 2023 is another super-attractive wine in this range. Hints of rose petal, orange peel and whitepepper lift the striking finish.

95 pts

**2023 Coastlands Old Firs Block Pinot Noir,
Sonoma Coast**

The 2023 Pinot Noir Old Firs is a powerful, tightly wound wine that needs a few years in bottle to be at its best. Today, brisk acids and huge, searing tannins dominate. Crushed flowers, mint, spice and dried herbs add striking savory flair as this tightly wound, youthfully austere Pinot starts to open.

96 pts

**2023 Coastlands Vineyard Pinot Noir,
Sonoma Coast**

The 2023 Pinot Noir Coastlands is a blend from the 1906, Old Firs and Diane Cobb blocks. Sensual and beguiling, the 2023 is pure and total seduction. It's a wine that shows Ross Cobb at his best. Silky tannins add an impression of total finesse. Crushed red berry fruit, incense, white pepper, kirsch and blood orange linger on the long, polished finish. This is such an elegant wine.

96 pts

**2023 Doc's Ranch Vineyard Swan & Calera Selection
Pinot Noir, Sonoma Coast**

The 2023 Pinot Noir Doc's Ranch Vineyard Swan & Calera Selection offers a striking interplay of freshness and richness that is compelling. Swan aromatics are beguiling. Deep and layered through the middle, with terrific persistence, the 2023 has so much to offer. Wild red cherry fruit, kirsch, white pepper, mint and crushed autumn leaves gradually open over time.

95 pts

2023 Doc's Ranch Vineyard Pinot Noir,
Sonoma Coast

The 2023 Pinot Noir Doc's Ranch Vineyard is a gorgeous, finely cut wine from a site just across the road from Coastlands. Medium in body and sculpted, the Doc's is a nervy Pinot that is going to need a few years to be at its most expressive. Pine, menthol, licorice, dried herbs, tobacco and incense lend notable complexity as this opens in the glass.

92 pts

2023 Abigail's Vineyard Pinot Noir,
Sonoma Coast

The 2023 Pinot Noir Abigail's Vineyard is bold and quite juicy. A rush of dark cherry fruit, spice, plum, new leather and cedar is front and center. This is one of the more forward wines in the range, and probably the wine I would open first. The 50% stems are nicely balanced.

95+ pts

2023 Wendling Vineyard Pinot Noir,
Anderson Valley

The 2023 Pinot Noir Wendling Vineyard is a potent, tightly wound wine. Readers will have to be patient. Brisk acids and beams of tannin give the 2023 its own reticent personality. Floral, savory and mineral notes appear with some coaxing. The Wendling is a few years away from being able to offer its best drinking. Today, the 2023 is impenetrable, in part because of the 70% stems.

95 pts

2023 Rice-Spivak Vineyard Pinot Noir,
Sonoma Coast

The 2023 Pinot Noir Rice-Spivak Vineyard is a sensual, elegant wine. All the elements come together so effortlessly. Refined tannins frame a core of red-toned fruit. Cinnamon, rose petal and blood orange develop later, adding myriad shades of nuance. This weightless, classy Pinot is sublime. Floral top notes reappear on a finish that grows with time in the glass.

93 pts

2023 Monticue Vineyard Pinot Noir,
Anderson Valley

The 2023 Pinot Noir Monticue Vineyard emerges from a two-acre north-facing parcel. Dark red cherry fruit, blood orange, cedar and a good dose of whole-cluster savoriness all lend character. This dynamic, complex Pinot is full of class and identity. The tannins are a bit burly relative to some of the other wines in this range, and yet it works here.

93 pts

2023 Emmaline Ann Vineyard Pinot Noir,
Sonoma Coast

The 2023 Pinot Noir Emmaline Ann Vineyard is redolent of dark blue/purplish fruit, lavender, spice, licorice and dried herbs. Deceptive in its mid-weight personality, the 2023 is a pretty powerful, tightly wound young Pinot. Strong floral and savory top notes from the 50% stems explode on the back end. Give this time to soften. There's no shortage of substance.

91 pts

2023 Cobb Wines Pinot Noir,
Sonoma Coast

The 2023 Pinot Noir (Sonoma Coast) is a very pretty, nuanced wine. Crushed flowers, cedar, sweet pipe tobacco, incense, licorice and dried herbs all grace this ethereal, understated Pinot. The Sonoma Coast Pinot is quite delicate and understated. There's lovely freshness and energy here, along with a bit of youthful austerity that needs time to soften.

92 pts

2024 Abigail's Vineyard Riesling,
Sonoma Coast

The 2024 Riesling Abigail's Vineyard is a very complete wine. Soft, caressing contours provide a perfect backdrop to frame varietal fruit notes and brisk acids. Green apple, slate, white pepper, sage and crushed rocks soar from the glass. This is so well put together.

93 pts

2024 Cole Ranch Vineyard Riesling,
North Coast

The 2024 Riesling Cole Ranch is a total delight. Green apple, mint, jasmine, Jolly Rancher and citrus confit are all beautifully lifted in the glass. Wonderfully transparent and expressive, the Cole Ranch is sublime. This is such a distinctive wine.

90 pts

2024 Vonarburg Vineyard Riesling,
North Coast

The 2024 Riesling Vonarburg is a wild, exotic white. Lime, mint, crushed rocks, jasmine and oyster shell all run through this piercingly young Riesling. This is a wine for acid freaks.