

The Wine Advocate Tasting Notes

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2007 Calera Pinot Noir Jensen Vineyard

RATING:

97 points

PRODUCER:

Calera

FROM:

Mount Harlan San Benito County,

Central Coast, California, USA

VARIETY:

Pinot Noir

DRINK:

SOURCE:

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A true Pinot Noir rock star is the 2007 Pinot Noir Jensen Vineyard. From a 13.8-acre vineyard planted in 1975, and cropped at 1.46 tons of fruit per acre, the Jensen cuvee spent 17 months in Francois Freres cooperage, of which 30% was new. One of the bigger production efforts (1,113 cases), it exhibits a deep ruby/purple-tinged color as well as a sweet, explosive nose of ripe raspberries, black cherries, spice box, earth, and chalk. Deep, rich, and full-bodied, it is the sexiest, most seductive wine of all these 2007 Pinots. A round, generous, intense red that cascades over the palate with no hard edges, it is capable of 15-20 years of cellaring.

- Robert Parker

