

International WINE REPORT

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This Pinot Noir from Calera is sourced from nine different vineyards within the Central Coast and all vineyard lots are blended prior to bottling. It possesses intense aromas of cherries and strawberries along with fresh soil, porcini and pretty floral notes. This is medium to full-bodied Pinot Noir offers a rich velvety texture with notable depth and balance. The finish continues to resonate with lovely acidity and gorgeous ripe fruits. Overall, this is a solid effort and excellent entry into Calera's range of Pinot Noir. (Best 2015-2022)

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POINTS

2012 PINOT NOIR CENTRAL COAST

Calera's 2012 Central Coast Pinot Noir is made from grapes grown by the following selected vineyards in California's Central Coast Viticultural Area:

<i>Laetitia Vineyard</i>	<i>San Luis Obispo County</i>	24%
<i>Sierra Madre Vineyard</i>	<i>Santa Barbara County</i>	16%
<i>Antle Vineyard</i>	<i>Monterey County</i>	10%
<i>Bien Nacido Vineyard</i>	<i>Santa Barbara County</i>	10%
<i>Doctor's Vineyard</i>	<i>Monterey County</i>	10%
<i>Pedregal Vineyard</i>	<i>San Benito County</i>	8%
<i>Chula Viña Vineyard</i>	<i>Monterey County</i>	8%
<i>Besson Vineyard</i>	<i>Santa Clara County</i>	6%
<i>Flint Vineyard</i>	<i>San Benito County</i>	5%
<i>Idyll Times Vineyard</i>	<i>San Benito County</i>	3%

After hand harvesting, the grapes were fermented with native yeast in small open-top fermenters. After fourteen days, the wines were pressed, settled overnight, and then moved by gravity to Calera's barrel cellar. The wine was aged without racking in French oak barrels, 10% new, for eleven months. The individual barrel lots were combined prior to bottling.

