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Calera 2005 Single Vineyard PN reviews

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The more concentrated 2005s exhibit deeper color as well as more texture, depth, and length. This is a vintage for Calera that should age beautifully for 15 or more years, given the winery's history of its top vintages aging brilliantly.

						Maturity
	2005		<p>Calera Pinot Noir Jensen Vineyard My favorite from Calera is usually the Jensen Vineyard, and the 2005 Pinot Noir Jensen is prodigious. Complex notes of sweet plum, pomegranate, and cherry are followed by subtle wood smoke, forest floor, underbrush, and sauteed mushrooms. This broad, complex, full-bodied wine has stunning concentration, length, and richness. Very primary and young, it seems to have at least 15 years of aging ahead of it. This is a very impressive wine from Calera, as is the 2005 vintage overall.</p>	95		\$
	2005		<p>Calera Pinot Noir Mills Vineyard The deep ruby/purple 2005 Pinot Noir Mills Vineyard has a sweet nose of boysenberry, black raspberry, and a hint of blueberry as well as a floral note. Medium to full-bodied, with sweet tannins, and wonderful depth, length, and texture, this may be the most succulent and precocious of the 2005s, but it will evolve for at least a decade.</p>	92	Early	\$
	2005		<p>Calera Pinot Noir Reed Vineyard The 2005 Pinot Noir Reed Vineyard is slightly more evolved than the previous two wines. Its sassafras, root vegetable, stemmy, earthy, plum and currant notes, as well as crisp acids, moderate tannin, and a broad, savory mouthfeel suggest that 2-3 years of additional bottle age are warranted.</p>	90		\$
	2005		<p>Calera Pinot Noir Ryan Vineyard The 2005 Pinot Noir Ryan Vineyard is one of the more closed and earthy wines of the vintage, with notes of root beer, damp earth, pomegranate, plum, licorice, and roasted herbs. It is elegant, rich, ripe, and medium to full-bodied with sweet tannins, but it is backward and in need of a good 2-3 years of bottle age.</p>	90 +		
	2005		<p>Calera Pinot Noir Selleck Vineyard The very Burgundian 2005 Pinot Noir Selleck Vineyard is super. While it displays hints of menthol, bay leaf, and roasted herbs, it is dominated by black currants, kirsch, earth, and flowers. The wine has fresh porcini mushroom and forest floor notes reminiscent of a grand cru from Burgundy's Morey St.-Denis. Full-bodied, rich, and impressive, this wine should drink well for at least 12-15 years.</p>	93	Early	\$