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CALERA WINE COMPANY	2010	PINOT NOIR DE VILLIERS VINEYARD	MT. HARLAN	(\$42.00)	RED	94
CALERA WINE COMPANY	2010	PINOT NOIR JENSEN VINEYARD	MT. HARLAN	(\$75.00)	RED	96
CALERA WINE COMPANY	2010	PINOT NOIR MILLS VINEYARD	MT. HARLAN	(\$48.00)	RED	96
CALERA WINE COMPANY	2010	PINOT NOIR RYAN VINEYARD	MT. HARLAN	(\$55.00)	RED	93
CALERA WINE COMPANY	2010	PINOT NOIR REED VINEYARD	MT. HARLAN	(\$42.00)	RED	94
CALERA WINE COMPANY	2010	PINOT NOIR SELLECK VINEYARD	MT. HARLAN	(\$80.00)	RED	95

Open, voluptuous and sexy efforts, these all benefitted from substantial air time and gained richness and depth over the evening. They're brilliant Pinot Noirs.

A deep, masculine effort that spent 16 months in 30% new French oak, the **2010 Pinot Noir de Villiers Vineyard** dishes out serious amounts of earthy black fruits, wild strawberries, sappy underbrush and floral qualities on the nose. This is followed up by a medium to full-bodied, supple and gorgeously textured effort that has no hard edges and blockbuster length. It has a core of sweet fruit and is certainly enjoyable now, yet it should age effortlessly for 10-12. Drink now-2016. More rich and structured, yet still sexy and voluptuous, the **2010 Pinot Noir Jensen Vineyard** offers up a complex array of underbrush, black cherry, framboise, crushed flowers, toast and spice on both the nose and palate. Easily one of the most impressive Pinot Noirs I've tasted from California, this ethereally textured, tannic effort should be given 3-4 years of bottle age and then consumed over the following decade or more. Drink 2016-2026. The transparent ruby-colored **2010 Pinot Noir Mills Vineyard** has considerable structure and depth hiding under all of its texture and richness. Offering up notions of sweet cherries, strawberry, underbrush, crushed flowers and chalky minerality, it has a massive mid-palate, incredible purity and a seamless,

elegant overall profile. It, too, will have 10-12 years or more of prime drinking. Drink now-2025. The **2010 Pinot Noir Reed Vineyard**, which was harvested from November 6th through November 11th, offers up loads of underbrush and sweet spice to go with medium-bodied, elegant and textured palate that shares the same integration and balance of all of this estate's wines. A beautiful bottle of wine, with a weightless feel and building tannin, it should be enjoyed over the coming decade. Drink now-2023. A larger scaled, structured effort that oozes kirsch, strawberry, raspberry, incense and liquid flower-like aromas and flavors, the **2010 Pinot Noir Ryan Vineyard** hits the palate with a full-bodied, voluptuously textured feel before firming up considerably on the finish with layers of tannin. It's a beauty, but needs 2-3 years of bottle age and will shine through 2025+. Drink 2015-2025+. The **2010 Pinot Noir Selleck Vineyard** is off the hook. Coming from a warmer, south-facing plot of vines, it offers up a knockout bouquet of black raspberry, liquid flowers, crushed stone and new leather to go with a dense, concentrated, yet sexy and hedonistically slanted palate that's grounded by a core of sweet fruit. Count me a fan. This beauty should be given a handful of years in the cellar and then consumed over the following decade or more. Drink 2015-2025. www.calerawine.com