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2013 FIREPEAK PINOT NOIR | EDNA VALLEY

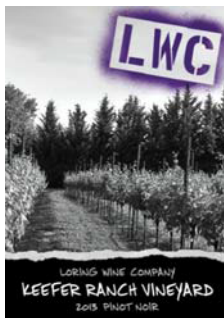
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PINOT NOIR New Releases



1. **2013 Loring Wine Company**, “Keefer Ranch Vineyard,” Green Valley of Russian River Valley (\$50) – Medium-light ruby color; attractive, forward, raspberry and cherry fruit aroma with a floral note and hints of clove and cinnamon; medium to medium-full body; rich, elegantly styled, bright red fruit flavors with good depth and a silky mouthfeel; medium tannin; lingering aftertaste. Well balanced and showing some complexity that makes it very appealing to taste now in its youth. Very highly recommended. *14.2% alcohol; 300 cases; 100% Pinot Noir (PN); released September 2014.* (Group Score: 16.6 of 20 points, 6 of 14 first-place votes/1 second/3 thirds; My Score: 17 [93 of 100 points], first place)

2. **2013 Benovia**, Russian River Valley (\$38) – Medium-light ruby; attractive, perfumed, raspberry and red cherry fruit aroma with herbal notes and hints of clove, cinnamon, and rose petal; medium to medium-full body; red and black fruit flavors with light, toasty notes and some richness in the velvety mouthfeel; medium tannin; lingering aftertaste. Very highly recommended. *14.1% alcohol; 2,200 cases; 100% PN; released April 2015.* (Group Score: 16.5, 3/6/2; My Score: 17 [91/100], third place)

cherry fruit flavors; medium tannin; lingering aftertaste. Highly recommended. *14.4% alcohol; 1,211 cases; 100% PN; released February 2015.* (Group Score: 15.8, 1/0/0; My Score: 16.5 [89/100], fifth place)

7. **2013 Baileyana**, “Firepeak,” Edna Valley (\$30) – Medium-light ruby; pleasant, fragrant, spicy, strawberry and red cherry fruit aroma with floral notes and a trace of vanilla; medium to medium-full body; fleshy, supple, cherry fruit flavors with good depth and balance, and some richness in the mouthfeel; medium tannin; lingering aftertaste. Easy to drink and enjoy now. *Highly recommended. 14.2% alcohol; 13,700 cases; 100% PN; released March 2015.* (Group Score: 15.7, 0/1/1; My Score: 16.5 [89/100], sixth place)

8. **2013 Longoria**, “Bien Nacido Vineyard, Block N,” Santa Maria Valley (\$50) – Medium-light ruby; attractive, fragrant, moderately intense, red cherry fruit aroma with hints of dried herbs and cocoa; medium body; fleshy, supple, cherry and red berry fruit flavors with a trace of charred oak; medium tannin; lingering aftertaste. Easy and enjoyable to drink now. Highly recommended. *14.3% alcohol; 185 cases; 100% PN; released April 2015.* (Group Score: 15.6, 0/1/0; My Score: 17 [89/100], seventh place)

9. **2013 Lucia**, Santa Lucia Highlands (\$45) – Medium ruby; deep, spicy, black cherry fruit aroma with a hint of dried herbs; medium to medium-full body; crisp, slightly tart, moderately extracted, cranberry and raspberry fruit flavors; medium to medium-full tannin; lingering aftertaste. Still a bit tight and deserving another year or two of bottle aging. Highly recommended. *14.2% alcohol; 740 cases; 100% PN; released March 2015.* (Group Score: 15.6, 0/0/1; My Score: 16.5 [89/100], eighth place)

Baileyana Firepeak Pinot Noir ‘Highly Recommended’ amongst some very highly acclaimed Pinot Noir producers.

The best value by far of the top 10!

Rated higher than Longoria, Lucia, Artesa and Bucher wineries, and the only Pinot Noir from the Edna Valley!

