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94 Kosta Browne Pinot Noir California 4-Barrel 2012 *\$84* Rich and layered, with spice box, creamy oak and firm, well-defined red and dark berry flavors. Touches of mocha, espresso, vanilla and cedar appear on the long, clean finish. Drink now through 2022. 92 cases made.—*J.L.*

93 De Loach Pinot Noir Mendocino County Masút Vineyard Vineyard Designate 2010 \$45 Beautifully crafted, rich, smooth and supple, with a pretty array of rich black cherry, plum and raspberry fruit. Deftly balanced and nuanced, ending with subtle spice accents and finegrained tannins. Drink now through 2022. 104 cases made.—J.L.



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93 Foxen Pinot Noir Santa Maria Valley Julia's Vineyard 2012 \$64 This red offers pure, rich layers of wild berry, raspberry and berry jam flavors that fan out gracefully from midpalate on, ending with a chorus of berry notes on the finish, along with a firm foundation of gravelly earth. Drink now through 2022. 320 cases made.—J.L.

