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## **DuMOL 2013 finn Pinot Noir**

The 2013 Pinot Noir Finn (two-thirds from the DuMOL estate and a third from the Occidental Road Vineyard) includes fruit from numerous clones, most notably the Calera selection. This wine shows some notes of sassafras, black and red currants, cherries, loamy soil notes and underbrush. It is a dark ruby/plum-colored, medium to full-bodied, and again, relatively concentrated like the Ryan. Drink it over the next 5-7 years. DuMOL is one of the more admirable wineries in Northern California, specializing primarily in Chardonnay and Pinot Noir, but with some intriguing Syrahs, a super Viognier, and as of the last several years, two Cabernet Sauvignons. Kerry Murphy is the long-time owner and partner with his winemaker, Scotsman Andy Smith. The change they have been implementing over the last several years is to pick slightly less ripe, then move their wines into tank for three months or more prior to bottling.