



The WINE ADVOCATE®

91+ Points

DuMOL 2013 Estate Pinot Noir

The 2013 Pinot Noir Estate is 100% DuMOL Estate fruit from high density plantings, 80% from the Calera selection and 20% from the Swan. The most backward and tannic of the 2013 Pinot Noirs, it has a dark ruby/plum color and notes of forest floor, blackcurrants, cherries, and underbrush. It is spicy, earthy, and best drunk after another two years of bottle age. It does seem capable of lasting 10-15 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.