



HARTFORD
COURT

96
POINTS

2007
STONE CÔTE VINEYARD
SONOMA COAST
CHARDONNAY

The vineyard is in the interior part of the appellation, toward Carneros, and the wine displays the firm, acidic minerality of that cool, foggy region. It has fantastic limpidity. The oak is remarkable for the purity of vanilla and smoky honey, while the underlying flavors of Meyer lemons, pineapples, nectarines and kumquats are decadently good. A masterpiece of Chardonnay. - *July 2009*

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2007
SEASCAPE VINEYARD
SONOMA COAST
CHARDONNAY

High acidity marks this vibrant wine. The crispness lends a vibrant tension to the intense flavors of Meyer lemons, orange blossom and minerals, while oak adds softer, spicy notes. Feels racy and nervy all through, in a delicious way. - *July 2009*

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2007
ARRENDELL VINEYARD
RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY
PINOT NOIR

Pronounced in smoky oak and robust tannins, showing jammy flavors of blackberries, cherries, blueberries, anise, cloves and cedar. Hold this powerful wine until 2011. - *August 2009*

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2007
HAILEY'S BLOCK
GREEN VALLEY
PINOT NOIR

The wine is quite full-bodied and robust, almost rustic, which is mainly due to the powerful, young tannins. With explosive berry, currant and mocha flavors, this powerful wine should hit its stride in mid-2010. - *July 2009*

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2007
SEASCAPE VINEYARD
SONOMA COAST
PINOT NOIR

The magnificent 2007 vintage has resulted in a wine of unusual tension. It's very ripe in black and red cherry pie filling and sweet oak flavors, but retains the acidity of its cool-climate origins... Drink this impressive, complex wine now and through 2015. - *April 2010*

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2007
LAND'S EDGE
SONOMA COAST
PINOT NOIR

A blend of various vineyards from the far or "true" Sonoma Coast. Always beautiful and balanced, the '07 in particular is remarkable for its silky tannins and overall seamless quality. Really excites for the complexity of currant, cola, licorice and cedar flavors. Now through 2013. - *July 2009*

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2007
VELVET SISTERS
ANDERSON VALLEY
PINOT NOIR

It's enormously rich in Dijonesque fruit, offering an array of red and black currants, cherries, pomegranates, anise, cinnamon and pepper. For all the opulence, the wine is dry and balanced. But it's just a baby. Hold until late 2010, if you can. - **Cellar Selection**, *July 2009*

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2007
MACLEAN'S BLOCK
RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY
PINOT NOIR

The vineyard is near Occidental, in the cooler southwestern part of the valley, and you can taste the fog and the sea and crisp nights in the acidity, like biting into a Gravenstein apple. Yet this perfect vintage has resulted in perfect fruit. It's hard to imagine richer blackberry, cherry and licorice flavors. Impeccable and impressive, but young. - *April 2010*

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2007
SEVEN'S BENCH VINEYARD
CARNEROS
PINOT NOIR

There's a sweet fruit and pastry quality to this wine that's reminiscent of a cherry tart, with its vanilla, brown sugar, cinnamon and smoky buttery pie crust flavors. It's very delicious but also brilliantly structured as a wine, with fine tannins and a sunburst of citrusy acids. One of the best Carneros Pinots of the vintage; it will provide pleasurable drinking now—2013 at the least. - *April 2010*

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2007
FAR COAST VINEYARD
SONOMA COAST
PINOT NOIR

From the cool, northern tip of the "true" Sonoma Coast. Although the grapes were destemmed before fermentation, the tannins are significant, a reflection of the low yields and tough skins the berries develop... Best after 2011. - **Cellar Selection**, *July 2009*

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2007
JENNIFER'S
RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY
PINOT NOIR

One of the ripest of Hartford's new Pinots, this is a full-bodied and very rich wine. It offers extreme flavor in place of subtlety, offering a massive palate wash of blackberries and cherries that veers into Lifesaver candy. The bet is ageability. Hold until 2010. - *April 2010*

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2007
HIGHWIRE VINEYARD
RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY
ZINFANDEL

The vineyard is in Fulton, a cool part of the southeastern valley heavily influenced by fog, and the vines are about 100 years old. This is great, classic Zinfandel. It should be in a museum. Despite high alcohol, it has a silky, Pinot-esque suppleness, balanced by crisp acids, and is profoundly rich in Zinny flavor. Currants, Mu shu plum sauce, anise, crushed black pepper, dark chocolate and rich Asian spices last forever on the finish. - *August 2009*

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