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95 Foxen Vineyard 2014 Pinot Noir, Fe Ciega Vineyard, Santa Rita Hills (\$66)

Crisp and racy with juicy Burgundian style; elegant and lifted with smooth, fresh raspberry and tangy cherry fruit; illustrates why we love this variety; lively and long, seductive and pure.

94 Foxen Vineyard 2014 Pinot Noir, La Encantada Vineyard, Santa Rita Hills (\$62)

Ripe, juicy and elegant with bright acidity and lovely Burgundian style; fresh cherry and vanilla, long and lush, racy and lifted.

94 Foxen Vineyard 2014 Pinot Noir, Melville Vineyard, Santa Rita Hills (\$64)

Juicy, crisp and tangy with bright raspberry and cherry; lively, fresh and racy; long and balanced; Burgundian, fresh and lifted.

93 Foxen Vineyard 2014 Pinot Noir, Julia's Vineyard, Santa Maria Valley (\$65)

Lush and juicy with plum and raspberry; dense and smooth, sweet new oak and a rich finish.

93 Foxen Vineyard 2014 Pinot Noir, Block 43, Bien Nacido Vineyard, Santa Maria Valley (\$66)

Smooth, lush and juicy with ripe black cherry and mellow style; ripe, tangy and long.

92 Foxen Vineyard 2014 Pinot Noir, Block 8, Bien Nacido Vineyard, Santa Maria Valley (\$62)

Smooth, lush and dense with ripe cherry, tangy acidity; balanced and fresh, long and snappy.

92 Foxen Vineyard 2014 Pinot Noir, Solomon Hills Vineyard, Santa Maria Valley (\$58)

Lush and ripe with smooth texture and balanced flavors of cherry and plum; rich, balanced and long.

91 Foxen Vineyard 2014 Pinot Noir, John Sebastiano Vineyard, Sta. Rita Hills (\$48)

Bright and crisp with racy acidity and juicy raspberry fruit; fresh, tangy and long.

90 Foxen Vineyard 2014 Pinot Noir, Sta. Rita Hills (\$38)

Smooth and juicy with ripe cherry and lively acidity; fresh and long.

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95 Foxen Vineyard 2013 Pinot Noir, Block 8, Bien Nacido Vineyard, Santa Maria Valley (\$68)

Rich nose; smooth and silky juicy bing cherries and raspberry; mellow, lush and ripe with tangy acidity and lovely structure; elegant, long and racy with a long, pure finish.

94 Foxen Vineyard 2013 Pinot Noir, La Encantada Vineyard, Sta. Rita Hills (\$62)

Bright, tangy and juicy with red cherry and racy acidity; pure, elegant and lifted with depth, intensity and finesse.

93 Foxen Vineyard 2013 Chardonnay, Block UU, Bien Nacido Vineyard, Santa Maria Valley (\$32)

Lush and juicy with tangy acidity and ripe pear and tropical fruit; racy, lifted and bright with depth and lively style.

93 Foxen Vineyard 2013 Pinot Noir, Julia's Vineyard, Santa Maria Valley (\$64)

Lush, ripe and showing rich cherry, tangy acidity and notes of oak; juicy, crisp and balanced; savory and long, racy and elegant.

93 Foxen Vineyard 2013 Pinot Noir, John Sebastiano Vineyard

Tangy black cherry and bright acidity; lively, crisp and racy with lovely style and balance. This is just one of the several excellent Foxen releases I tasted recently; see our website for others.

92 Foxen Vineyard 2013 Chardonnay, Tinaquaic Vineyard, Santa Maria Valley (\$27)

Smooth and juicy with silky texture and racy acidity; lively and crisp with elegant, tangy style; long and balanced.

91 Foxen Vineyard 2013 Pinot Noir, Sta. Rita Hills (\$38)

Dark, smooth and ripe with juicy cherry and lively acidity; fresh, balanced and lush with good length.

90 Foxen Vineyard 2013 Chenin Blanc, The Good Year, Ernesto Wickenden Vineyard, Santa Maria Valley (\$25)

Lush, silky and juicy with ripe peach and tangy style; smooth, fresh and bright; long and charming.

90 Foxen Vineyard 2013 Chenin Blanc, Old Vines, Ernesto Wickenden Vineyard, Santa Maria Valley (\$24)

Silky and smooth with lush fruit, tangy and long; tangy, long and balanced with crisp apple and juicy acidity; rich and deep.

90 Foxen Vineyard 2013 Pinot Noir, Santa Maria Valley (\$35)

Smooth toasted cherry and crisp, racy style; spicy, savory and balanced; rounded and long.

