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[2014 Talley Vineyards Chardonnay Estate, Arroyo Grande Valley - 90 Points](#)

The 2014 Chardonnay Estate, which is from the Arroyo Grande Valley, is outstanding. Notes of white flowers, white peach and saline-like characteristics all emerge from the medium-bodied, chiseled, clean and beautifully precise Chardonnay. Mostly from the Rincon Vineyard, with smaller portions from Rosemary's and Monet Sereno, aged nine months in 23% new French oak, drink it over the coming 2-4 years.

[2014 Talley Vineyards Chardonnay Oliver's Vineyard, Edna Valley - 93 Points](#)

Another terrific white is the 2014 Chardonnay Oliver's Vineyard, which is located in the Edna Valley and was planted in 1991 (it's named after Talley Farms founder Oliver Talley). Barrel-fermented and aged 15 months in 16% new French oak, it's a richer, mineral-laced effort that offers lots of buttered orchard fruits, caramelized citrus and brioche to go with a textured, layered style on the palate that still has impressive purity, tension and acidity. Drink it over the coming 5-6 years.

[2014 Talley Vineyards Chardonnay Rincon Vineyard, Arroyo Grande Valley - 92 Points](#)

Made in a prettier, tropical fruit and medium-bodied style, the 2014 Chardonnay Talley Vineyard Rincon (aged 15 months in 16% new French oak) offers lots of white flowers, citrus blossom, mint and salty minerality as well as medium-bodied richness and a pure, elegant style.

[2014 Talley Vineyards Chardonnay Rosemary's Vineyard, Arroyo Grande Valley - 93 Points](#)

A sensational Chardonnay from one of the great vineyards in the Central Coast is the 2014 Chardonnay Estate Rosemary's Vineyard (this site is the coolest in the lineup). It offers classic Chardonnay notes of apple blossom, salt block, buttered citrus and hints of charcoal to go with building richness and depth on the palate, integrated acidity and a great finish. Drink this complete, balanced and lengthy beauty over the coming 5-6 years, although it will keep longer if well stored.

[2014 Talley Vineyards Pinot Noir Stone Corral Vineyard, Edna Valley - 93 Points](#)

The Edna Valley release, the 2014 Pinot Noir Stone Corral is another polished, complex and seamless effort from winemaker Eric Johnson that offers classic notes of spice, forest floor, dried flowers and sweet red fruits. Aged 16 months in 27% new French oak, it's impeccably balanced, has a charming, forward character and will drink nicely for 5-6 years.

[2014 Talley Vineyards Pinot Noir Rincon Vineyard, Arroyo Grande Valley - 94 Points](#)

Leading off the single vineyard releases, the 2014 Pinot Noir Rincon Vineyard is a killer effort that has plenty of intensity and depth in its black cherry, raspberry, crushed flowers and underbrush aromas and flavors. Very fresh, floral and vibrant, with bright acidity, it has solid concentration and will keep for a decade.

[2014 Talley Vineyards Pinot Noir Rosemary's Vineyard, Arroyo Grande Valley - 94 Points](#)

The 2014 Pinot Noir Rosemary's Vineyard is a richer, layered effort that has a touch more oomph than the Rincon release. Passion fruits, raspberries, violets and spice all emerge from this medium to full-bodied, rich and layered Pinot Noir that has fine tannin, beautiful purity and an already hard to resist style. Aged 16 months in 35% new French oak, drink it anytime through 2024.