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**2015 Talley Vineyards Chardonnay, Edna Valley - 92 Points**

Light bright yellow. Heady, mineral-tinged tangerine, pear nectar and jasmine scents, along with suggestions of smoky lees and honey that gain strength as the wine opens up. At once vibrant and concentrated, offering juicy citrus and orchard fruit flavors that deepen steadily through the midpalate. The floral and honey notes repeat strongly on the very long, penetrating finish, which leaves behind a suggestion of toasty lees. All of this fruit comes from Talley's Oliver's vineyard, and in the context of high-end California Chardonnay, it delivers superb value.

**2015 Talley Vineyards Estate Chardonnay, Arroyo Grande Valley - 93 Points**

Limpid yellow. Potent, mineral-accented tropical and orchard fruit aromas show very good clarity and a sexy floral overtone. Taut, minerally and delineated on the palate, which displays juicy pear, tangerine and pineapple flavors that become deeper with air. Concentrated yet lively as well, closing taut and very long, leaving dusty mineral and citrus pith notes behind.

**2015 Monte Sereno Vineyard Chardonnay, Arroyo Grande Valley - 93 Points**

Vivid yellow. Mineral-accented aromas of tangerine, pear skin and white flowers, plus suave vanilla and buttered toast undertones. Juicy and sharply focused in the mouth, offering intense orchard and citrus fruit flavors that are complicated by a refreshingly bitter quinine nuance and a touch of toasty lees. Finishes with outstanding clarity and minerally thrust, leaving floral and citrus pith notes behind.

**2015 Oliver's Vineyard Chardonnay, Edna Valley - 93 Points**

Limpid yellow. Intense Meyer lemon, green apple and floral scents show excellent clarity and complicating suggestions of fennel and toasty lees. Minerally and precise on the palate, offering zesty orchard and citrus fruit flavors and a hint of candied ginger that builds on the back half. Shows impressive energy and finishes silky and very long, with a suave floral nuance hanging on.

**2015 Rincon Vineyard Chardonnay, Arroyo Grande Valley - 94 Points**

Bright yellow. Powerful, mineral-accented Meyer lemon, pear and nectarine scents show excellent clarity and complicating suggestions of fennel and toasty lees. Minerally and precise in the mouth, offering concentrated orchard and citrus fruit flavors and deeper suggestions of buttery brioche and honeydew melon. Shows impressive depth as well as energy and finishes silky, gently sweet and very long, displaying a suave floral nuance.

**2015 Rosemary's Vineyard Chardonnay, Arroyo Grande Valley - 94 Points**

Limpid yellow. A powerfully scented bouquet evokes fresh melon, Meyer lemon, honey and white flowers, and a smoky mineral nuance builds as the wine stretches out. Sappy, concentrated and penetrating on the palate, offering vibrant, mineral-tinged orchard and citrus fruit flavors and hints of chamomile, brioche and iodine. The mineral element adds energizing lift and cut to the extremely long, juicy finish, which leaves behind a sexy floral note.



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**2015 Talley Vineyards Pinot Noir, Edna Valley - 92 Points**

Deep brilliant red. Highly perfumed aromas of ripe red berries, cherry cola and rose pastille are sharpened by a smoky mineral nuance. Lively, expansive raspberry and bitter cherry flavors show strong lift and vivacity, picking up an Asian spice flourish as the wine opens up. Finishes juicy, appealingly sweet and very long, featuring a lingering red fruit quality and smooth, harmonious tannins.

**2015 Talley Vineyards Estate Pinot Noir, Arroyo Grande Valley - 93 Points**

Deep brilliant red. Ripe red berries, incense and candied flowers on the seductively perfumed nose, along with a smoky mineral accent that adds vivacity. Sappy, alluringly sweet and focused on the palate, offering powerful cherry, raspberry and vanilla flavors complemented by a building Asian spice nuance. Smooth and seamless in texture, finishing with solid thrust, resonating spiciness and smooth tannins.

**2015 Stone Corral Vineyard Pinot Noir, Edna Valley - 94 Points**

Vivid ruby-red. A highly aromatic bouquet evokes ripe red fruits, candied rose and Asian spices, enlivened by a vibrant mineral overtone. Silky and precise on the palate, offering intense, mineral-laced raspberry, bitter cherry and spicecake flavors that put on weight and become sweeter with air. Delivers a suave blend of power and finesse and finishes extremely long, featuring harmonious tannins and outstanding clarity.

**2015 East Rincon Vineyard Pinot Noir, Arroyo Grande Valley - 94 Points**

Highly perfumed and expansive on the nose, displaying intense red berry liqueur, potpourri and Asian spice qualities and a hint of smoky minerality. Stains the palate with appealingly sweet raspberry, rose pastille and spicecake flavors that show a suave blend of richness and energy and no rough edges. The floral and spice notes echo strongly on the impressively long, seamless finish, which is given framework and grip by gentle, harmonious tannins.

**2015 Rincon Vineyard Pinot Noir, Arroyo Grande Valley - 94 Points**

Limpid ruby-red. A complex, highly perfumed bouquet evokes fresh red berries, Asian spices and candied rose, and a smoky mineral nuance adds vivacity. Sappy, sweet and penetrating in the mouth, offering juicy raspberry and floral pastille flavors joined by hints of spicecake and vanilla that build slowly on the back half. Focused and seamless in texture, showing superb finishing clarity, fine-grained tannins and outstanding persistence.

**2015 Rosemary's Vineyard Pinot Noir, Arroyo Grande Valley - 95 Points**

Brilliant red. A suave, expansive bouquet evokes fresh red berries, potpourri, incense and smoky minerals. Sappy, alluringly sweet and light on its feet, offering intense raspberry, cherry and floral pastille flavors that are braced by a suggestion of bitter blood orange. Plays power off delicacy with a sure hand, showing no excess weight but displaying abundant red fruit character. Fine-grained tannins lend shape to a strikingly long, smooth finish that leaves a sexy rose pastille note behind.