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2008 Pinot Noir, Keefer Ranch

(\$48) Ed Kurtzman brings no shortage of richness to the Freeman wines, and this bottling from the ever-popular Sebastopol site in Green Valley is no different. Yet there's loamy depth amid the big roasted cherry and candied strawberry fruit. Nicely retains its integrity of site amid that hefty fruit.



2008 Pinot Noir, Sonoma Coast

(\$44) Winemaker Ed Kurtzman keeps finding ever more nuance with this label. The straight bottling, from a mix of the Rayhill, Guidici and Sexton vineyards, shows a racy, minty huckleberry profile. Its clean lines pushed it ahead of the richer Akiko's Cuvee. Focused, with warm spice echoes on the finish and a surprising mineral-edged tannic backbone.

from two articles by Jon Bonné

The Chronicle Recommends: Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir Sunday, April 18, 2010

'08 Pinot Noir Pretty but a Bit Pricey Sunday, August 13, 2010

