





2008 Pinot Noir, Keefer Ranch

Rating: 92 points

(\$48) Bright red. Sexy, highly perfumed scents of fresh red berries, potpourri and Asian spices. Silky in texture and alluringly sweet, offering vivid red fruit and floral pastille flavors lifted by tangy minerality. A very pure and well-balanced wine that finishes with impressive clarity and sweet persistence. (JR)



2008 Pinot Noir, Akiko's Cuvee

Rating: 92 points

(\$54) Light, vivid red. High-pitched, spicy aromas of strawberry, raspberry, rose and violet. Lush, juicy and gently sweet, offering potent red berry preserve and cola flavors and sexy spice and floral elements. Finishes with refreshing spiciness and lingering floral notes.



2008 Pinot Noir, Russian River Valley

Rating: 91 points

(\$44) Ruby-red. Intensely floral aromas of raspberry, cola and rose, lifted by a pungent white pepper quality. Spicy red berry flavors gain flesh and sweetness with air, picking up a smoky mineral quality and a note of candied flowers. Finishes juicy and very long, with berry skin and peppery spice notes. Most of this fruit comes from Green Valley, according to Ken Freeman.



2008 Chardonnay Ryo Fu

Rating: **91 points**

(\$44) Bright yellow. Pungent aromas of pear, apple, oyster shell and iodine. Refreshingly bitter, tightly focused orchard fruit and lemon flavors are deepened by a sweeter melon quality, with the iodine note repeating. The finish shows a distinct mineral character and lingers with very good authority and spiciness.

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