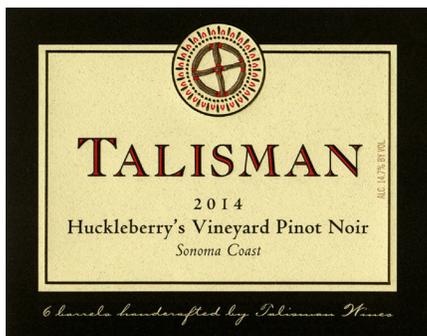


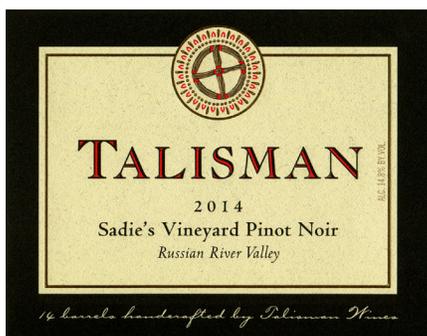
The **Gunsalus Vineyard Pinot Noir** comes from the Green Valley area of the Russian River Valley. It opens to inviting aromas of stewed cherries, ripe plums, forest floor, cigar box, and spring flowers, which all take shape in the glass. This Pinot displays a wonderful combination of a power and elegance, with an abundance of ripe red fruit and lively acidity through the palate. This is appealing today with some air, and will continue to evolve over the next decade. (Best 2017-2027)

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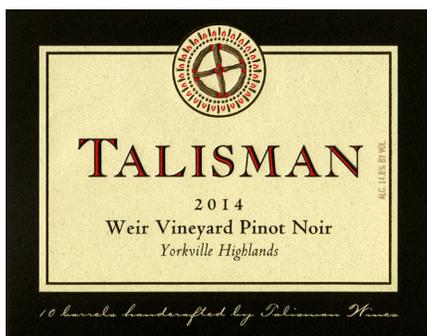
This Pinot Noir comes from the **Huckleberry's Vineyard** one-acre plot on the edge of the Sonoma Coast and sits on classic Gold Ridge soils. The closely-spaced vineyard is managed entirely by hand. As this Pinot Noir begins to open it releases beautiful aromas of fresh red berries, black currants, dried spice and dark soil aromas. It possesses a lovely mouth feel coupled with excellent balance of red and dark fruit with fresh, lively acidity. A medium to full bodied Pinot that is delicious today and has 8-10 years of life to gain complexity. (Best 2017-2027)

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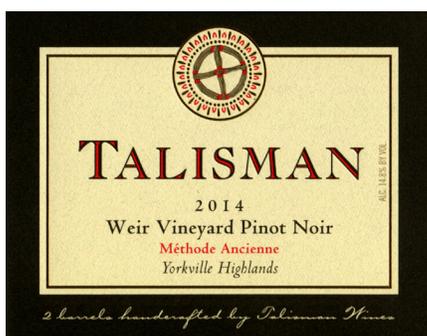
This Pinot Noir from Talisman is from **Sadie's Vineyard**, located in the cool Bodega Highway corridor near Sebastopol. It opens to a very fragrant nose which is nuanced with pretty aromas of dark cherries, red berries, currants, dark soil, and dried flowers. The palate offers an appealing texture with wonderful overall balance. This is a Pinot Noir that is drinking very well today and can also endure a decade of bottle age. (Best 2017-2027)

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The 2014 **Weir Vineyard Pinot Noir** from Talisman is another impressive effort. It is exposed to high elevation, cool nights and the marine influences from its proximity to the Mendocino coast. The wine displays lovely aromas of wild strawberry, dried flower, spice box, with hints of juniper and cranberry. It possesses a medium to full body with red fruits and spices backed by underlying acidity keeping it fresh and inviting through the finish. This is drinking well today, but will be at its peak after a few more years of bottle age. (Best 2017-2027)

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This Pinot Noir is a special bottling from Talisman, sourced from the **Weir Vineyard** in the Yorkville Highlands, this is their **"Methode Ancienne" Pinot Noir**. It is made from whole cluster 2A and Romanée-Conti clones and extremely limited with only 2 barrels made. The wine itself is slow to unwind, but with some air this started to reveal its gorgeous aromas of black cherries, mineral, rose petal along with some earthy aromas and spices. This is well structured, balanced with a beautiful long finish. While this is quite appealing today, I would recommend this be cellared for 2-3 years or more and it can be enjoyed over the next 10-15 years. (Best 2020-2030)

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