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**2013 Sonoma Coast Wildcat Mountain Vineyard Pinot Noir** From a windswept vineyard on a rocky hill above the Sonoma Raceway, not far from the San Francisco Bay, this is certainly wild. Winemaker Scott Rich's use of whole-bunch fermentation and extended maceration and elevage emphasize savory, rooty notes of tumeric and ginseng. That earthy savor buzzes with energy in the end, coastal acidity driving those earthy flavors upward, so they seem to float and circulate like smoke in a jazz club, while the fruit becomes plump, warm and racy all at once. Decant it for something equally intense, like wild duck or other dark, savory game birds. (164 cases) *Talisman Wines, Sonoma, CA*