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## **TASTING HIGHLIGHTS**

## 12 Pinot Noirs to Explore California

New reviews of Golden State Pinot Noirs from Sonoma, Napa, Santa Barbara and beyond, up to 91 points

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California Pinot Noir is riding a wave of success, producing excellent vintages with rising quality and quantity. This week's selection shows this off, venturing from northern appellations like Mendocino's Anderson Valley to southern reaches like Santa Barbara's Sta. Rita Hills, plus AVAs and styles in between.







## **DOMAINE CARNEROS**

Pinot Noir Carneros 2018

Score: 91 | \$44

**WS review:** Rich and plush, with concentrated cherry tart, plum pudding and dark currant flavors that are well-structured, showing cocoa powder and allspice accents on the open-textured finish. Drink now through 2025. 5,770 cases made.—*Kim Marcus* 

