

# Beau's Barrel Room

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## Tasting Emeritus Pinot Noir Releases

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A month ago I was scheduled to do a live tasting (I sure do a lot of them!) with Charles Communications and Brice Jones of **Emeritus Vineyards**. Unfortunately, life got kind of crazy for a time and I wasn't able to join in the small crew of bloggers invited to this exclusive tasting. Fortunately for me, the wines had arrived and the folks at Charles Communications were understanding of my absence.

Fast forward several weeks and things had calmed down, somewhat, so I was able to open and taste the wines, taking some notes along the way. We were sent two single vineyard pinot noirs, from Sonoma Coast and Russian River Valley AVA's, respectively. Also, 4

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**2011 Emeritus Hallberg Ranch Pinot Noir Russian River Valley:**  
...The finish is excellent, a gentle tapering of flavor that cleanly disappears after a solid 15 seconds...**Highly Recommended.**



### 2013 Emeritus "Ruby Ruby" Saignée Rosé Russian River Valley:

Pours a candied red, gently paling towards the rim of the glass. On the nose I get some herbs and tart red berry, oak barrel, and alcoholic heat. At 14.0% abv (listed), this is about 2.5% higher than I usually go for with a rosé. On the palate there's that same nice mix of herbaceous and red fruit, like fresh red cherries. It's a touch sweet (perhaps from the alcohol) and tastes like it's seen some oak too, but I can't find any mention in the tech notes. I like the acidity because it helps restrain the exuberance of the fruit in this, whilst setting the wine up for pairing with summer foods. For those of you who enjoy more full-bodied rosé wines, this is right up your alley. \$25 SRP.

