

# Raptor Ridge

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**Pinot Noir  
Estate Vineyard**

<b>91 Points</b> Estate 2012	<b><i>Vinous: Oct 2015</i></b> Brilliant ruby-red with a bright rim, smoke-tinged red and dark berry scents are sweetened by suggestions of cola and vanilla. Plush and broad on the palate, offering fresh black raspberry and cherry flavors that turn spicier and more energetic with air. This forward, fruit-driven Pinot finishes with excellent thrust and length and supple, late-arriving tannins. — JR
<b>90 Points</b> Estate 2012	<b><i>Wine Enthusiast: Aug 2015</i></b> The ripeness is evident in the full-bodied, round fruit flavors of plum and black cherry. Gentle suggestions of clean earth, graphite and coffee grounds bring up further flavor notes as it winds through the finish. — PG
<b>91 Points</b> Estate 2012	<b><i>Wine &amp; Spirits: June 2015</i></b> "Savory and sanguine in its initial impression, this estate wine from young vine fruit perks up with air, revealing dark plum fruit and hints of rye seeds. It finishes savory, with an impression of richness that lasts."
<b>91 Points</b> Estate 2012	<b><i>Wine Spectator: Feb 2015</i></b> "Soft in texture, ripe in flavor, with cola-accented blackberry, cherry and dried blueberry flavors that point into a long and peppery finish. Drink now through 2020" — HS
<b>91 Points</b> Estate 2011	<b><i>The Tasting Panel: Dec 2013</i></b> Fresh, tangy and bright with fresh cherry and raspberry lifted by a core of crisp, racy acidity; juicy and pure with vibrant style and a long finish.
<b>Silver</b> Estate 2011	<b><i>Sunset International Wine Competition: June 2013</i></b> The judging, held at <i>Sunset's</i> campus on April 8 and 9, was conducted by 49 of the most respected wine experts in the West, led by honorary chairs Joel Peterson, founder and winemaker, Ravenswood; Tim Gaiser, MS, Former Education Director, Court of Master Sommeliers, Americas; and Sara Schneider, <i>Sunset's</i> wine editor.
<b>90 Points</b> Estate 2010	<b><i>Wine Spectator: Feb 2013</i></b> "Silky, ripe and distinctive, offering cherry and tar flavors on a beautifully open texture, echoing nicely on the expressive finish. Drink now through 2017." — HS
<b>89 Points</b> Adolfo's Block 2009	<b><i>Wine Advocate</i></b> "The 2009 Pinot Noir Adolfo's Block sports a nose of exotic spices, rose petal, red fruits, and toast. Spicy, savory, and forward on the palate, it will provide enjoyment over the next 6 years."
<b>91 Points</b> Adolfo's Block 2009	<b><i>International Wine Cellar</i></b> "Bright ruby-red. Ripe cherry and dark berry aromas are complemented by cola, mocha and licorice nuances. Fleshy and broad on the palate, offering powerful dark fruit flavors that show more energy with air. Closes with impressive power, leaving spicy cherry and blackberry notes behind. Give this hefty, intensely flavored pinot some air time."

<p><b>89+</b> Adolfo's Block 2008</p>	<p><i>Wine Advocate: Oct 31, 2010</i></p> <p>"The 2008 Pinot Noir Adolfo's Block is from a winery-owned 4 acre parcel with a field blend of several clones. It displays a slightly brooding nose of cedar, underbrush, spice box, and black fruits. Structured on the palate with balancing acidity, it will evolve for 1-2 years and drink well through 2020."</p>
<p><b>91 Points</b> Adolfo's Block 2008</p>	<p><i>Wine Spectator: Dec 31, 2010</i></p> <p>"Displays wonderful harmony and integrity to the dark berry, cherry, mineral and spice flavors, which come together against slightly gritty tannins on a long, vivid finish. Best from 2012 through 2018." — HS</p>