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SMART BUY!

"Big style with finesse..."

Freeman Vineyard & Winery Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast 2006

Medium-deep ruby color; earthy, spice, tea and black cherry aromas; big, deep, full black cherry fruit flavors with spice, tea and earthy notes; some sweet oak, great structure and balance; long finish. This is a big Pinot and yet there is plenty of finesse. Vineyard sourcing is from the Rayhill, Sexton and Guidici vineyards.

1,993 cases made \$44 Score: 93

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About Our Tastings

We taste wine in flights of usually no more than 12 wines. All tasting unless otherwise noted is done blind by the Editor.

The tasting coordinator (who does not taste) arranges and bags all wines, which are then scored and comments recorded before bags are removed. Our tastings are done under controlled, consistent conditions.

Here is PinotReport's 100-point scale:

| 96-100 | SUPERIOR ; it doesn't get better. |
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| 90-95 | OUTSTANDING ; approaching the best |
| 86-89 | ABOVE AVERAGE; a good Pinot. |
| 80-85 | AVERAGE ; OK if it's all you have. |
| 60-79 | BELOW AVERAGE ; not recommended. |
| 50-59 | Undrinkable. |