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Thomas T. Thomas Vineyards (Philo, CA)

2021 Pinot Noir – Buster’s Hill: (Anderson Valley, no filtering or fining, 121 cases, 30% whole cluster, SRP \$90, 13.4%). An invitingly cool and airy nose features dried floral notes, plum, red currant and hints of underbrush character. The sleek and appealing vibrant middle weight flavors possess solid density and focused power on the dusty, youthfully austere and well-balanced finale. While this could use better depth, it could be enjoyed young with the right foods or held for 6-ish to even 10 years to good effect. 92/2029+

2021 Pinot Noir – Reserve: (Anderson Valley, light filtering no fining, 150 cases, 30% whole cluster, SRP \$85, 13.4%). In the same fashion as the Buster’s Hill, a distinctly cool but not really restrained nose offers notes its array of red and dark berries, violet and hints of green tea/menthol character. The beautifully textured, even polished, medium weight flavors also display focused power on the mildly raspy and youthfully austere but lingering and impressively complex finish that isn’t attenuated but it’s close. This will likely further flesh out with time but for the moment it’s compact and a bit closed. 90/2029+