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SONOMA'S SENSATIONAL 2015s

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Bibiana Gonzalez-Rave is the winemaker at Pahlmeyer and Wayfarer. She also makes a small amount of wine under her own label, Cattleya.

2015 Cattleya Wines Pinot Noir Donum Vineyard - 91 Points

The 2015 Pinot Noir Donum Vineyard is bright and nicely focused, with plenty of red cherry, cranberry and blood orange character. This is an especially fresh, vibrant wine for the year. The 2015 was done with fully destemmed fruit. I would give it a few more months in bottle to come together. This is very nicely done.

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2015 Cattleya Wines Pinot Noir Cuvée Number One - 90 Points

The Pinot Noir 2015 Cuvée Number One is a blend of fruit from two sites in the Russian River. Dark cherry, plum, lavender and licorice are pushed forward in a soft, succulent Pinot to drink now and over the next few years.

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2015 Cattleya Wines Chardonnay Pratt Vineyard - 91 Points

The 2015 Chardonnay Pratt Vineyard is soft, polished and understated. Apricot, lemon con t, chamomile and lightly honeyed notes are front and center. There is lovely creaminess and texture to the 2015, yet the wine remains vibrant ad medium in body. This is another attractive wine from Cattleya and proprietor Bibiana Gonzalez-Rave.

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