

# PINOTREPORT

*for people passionate about western pinot noir*

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### SMART BUY!

*"Elegant, subtle Pinot..."*

#### **Nuggucciet Cellars**

#### ***Pinot Noir Santa Maria Valley 2009***

Medium ruby color; subdued earthy cherry aromas with some herbal notes; ripe, delicate cherry and earth flavors; silky texture; good structure and balance; long finish. Elegant Pinot with some nice subtle flavors. Easy to drink by itself or pair with a roasted chicken.

**38 cases made      \$25      Score: 90**

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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:

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