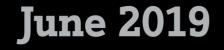
# Wine Dominion



# "VALUE+", JAMES HALLIDAY

750ml

The Hidden Label Barossa Shiraz 2017 (KHL 5743) was crafted by a famous Barossan winery. The original label shares the names of the two owners family names which have six generations of involvement in the Barossan wine industry since 1870.

The winery has four vineyards spread across the Barossa Valley and Eden Valley, with much of the fruit sourced for the Hidden Label Barossa Shiraz 2017 (KHL 5743) coming from the later region. Typical of cool-climate Eden Valley Shiraz it is medium-bodied and has distinctive elegance and finesse.

James Halliday has recently reviewed the Hidden Label Barossa Shiraz 2017 (KHL 5743) under its maker's label declaring it to be "value+" at its modest cellar door price of only \$20 a bottle. We wonder what James would say at our price of only \$11 a bottle under Hidden Label.

#### The Hidden Label Barossa Shiraz 2017 (KHL 5743)

Region: Barossa Valley Rating: 94/100

If you think the flavours and texture of this wine more akin to the Eden Valley than the Barossa Valley, you're probably right - three of the four estate vineyards are in the Eden Valley, one in the Barossa Valley. The scented pepper, spice and black cherry of the wine provide a lightness of foot to the medium-bodied palate, balance following the same line. Value+. Alcohol: 14.5%. Closure screwcap. Date tasted: Sep 2018. Drink by: 2027. Price: \$20. Rating: 94/100.

James Halliday,
Australian Wine Companion

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## **@ VICTOR CHURCHILL**

#### A VERY SPECIAL DINNER

It is our pleasure to announce a very special dinner featuring a collaboration between Henschke, one of our finest wineries, and one of Australia's finest butcheries, Victor Churchill. The dinner will take place at the Vic Churchill premises in Woollahra , which the late, great celebrity chef Anthony Bourdain famously named as the "most beautiful butcher shop in the world".

The menu will feature the very best charcuterie and beef, as we that present mother a, presented by Victor Churchill's experts, carefully matched with a collection of He what top was, including their world-famous icons (Hillof Grace and West Edels e.g.).

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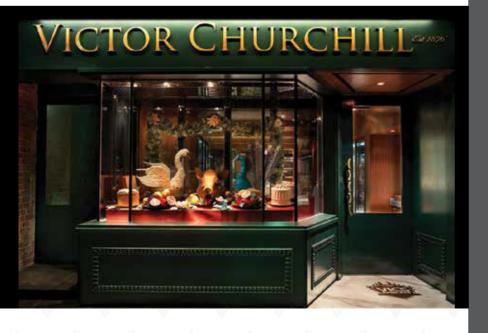
Seats are extremely limited for this extraordinary dinner, so please respond quickly, to avoid disappointment.

WHEN: Friday 28 June - 7.00pm for 7.20pm

WHERE: Victor Churchill, 132 Queen Street, Woollahra

COST: \$225 per person

Book your place: orders @kemenys.com.au or call us on 13 8881 (Limited to 2 seats per booking)



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#### **OUR RATING SYSTEM**

All wines are judged for quality with a Rating out of 100 awarded.

Our thumbs-up rating system represents selections that receive our highest recommendation.

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A must-have

\$ \$ \$

Buy as much as you can (afford)

#### **OUR PRICING**

Please feel free to mix up your own case of any wines in Kemenys Wine Dominion as the across any 12 pricing applies to straight or mixed dozens. And YES you can include spirits in the mixed dozen. Please ring 13 8881 for more details.

#### **OUR GUARANTEE**

We guarantee our wine. If, after trying a bottle, you are not satisfied, please call us on **13 8881** and we'll pick up the remainder of your case and offer you a refund for the whole case.



Why go through the hassle of looking for parking and burning cash on petrol? Just order 4 or more dozen wines and we'll deliver those (heavy) boxes FREE. These charges apply to Australian state capital cities. For less than 4 dozen wines, we'll deliver for a flat \$10. Please give us a ring on **13 8881** if you need more info.

#### **HENSCHKE**



Some of the world's most prized vineyards lie behind the legend of Henschke, from the youngest in the Adelaide Hills, to the oldest deep in the Eden Valley, accessible only by dirt roads.

Fifth-generation Henschke winemaker Stephen and his acclaimed viticulturist wife Prue feel incredibly fortunate, in the relatively young winemaking country of Australia, to be making wines from some of the most ancient vines in the world. Hill of Grace was planted around 1860 by Stephen's great-great grandfather Nicolaus Stanitzki and Mount

Edelstone was established in 1912 by English landowner Ronald Angas.

The oldest of their ungrafted, dry-grown vines are 'Ancestors' (over 125 years of age) and Centenarians (equal to or over 100 years of age). They preserve a shiraz heritage lost to the old world when phylloxera raged through their lands. With Prue's careful nurturing they continue to deliver wines of incomparable texture and complexity.

With the same sense of wonder, hope and anticipation as their pioneering ancestors Stephen and Prue explore the boundaries of grape growing and winemaking - planting new varieties and constantly seeking and discovering a new universe of expressions. They take a long view of the future, knowing the young vines they nestle into the earth today will become the Centenarians for the generations that follow.



Mount Edelstone epitomises the incredible aromatic beauty of shiraz from the 'fairy-tale' 2015 vintage in South Australia's Eden Valley. Gnarled centenarian vines, now one 107 years old, deliver signature crushed black pepper and sage notes that weave through layers of perfumed florals, vibrant blue and black berries and velvety tannins to an extremely long finish. Acclaimed as one of Australia's greatest single-vineyard wines since the first vintage in 1952, Mount Edelstone evokes the mysterious power of vineyard provenance under the skilful custodianship of Stephen and Prue Henschke.





# Henschke the Wheelwright Shiraz 2015

Region: Eden Valley Rating: 96/100 🏠

Commemorates 150 years of family winemaking, crafted from 50yo vines. It is a vibrantly fresh and aromatic wine with elegance and finesse its cornerstones as it slips through the net of full-bodied shiraz. Its fruit flavours are as much red as black, and you can sense the tan but not actually taste them. Sheer beauty. Alcohol: 14.5%. Closure vinolok. Date tasted: Sep 2018. Drink by: 2065. Price: \$130. Rating: 97/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP \$130

\$129.95 PER BOTTLE



"IT IS 100% GORGEOUS RIGHT NOW", CAMPBELL MATTINSON

#### Henschke Julius Riesling 2017

Region: Eden Valley Rating: 96/100 🖒 🏠

Don't mind a bit of Julius Riesling. It is of course from the Eden Valley. It's just been released in time for this summer and for about 25 summers hence. Intensity is right up there. This explodes with pure riesling flavour. Lime, green apple, bath salts and limes leaves. Okay, florals too. It is 100% gorgeous right now. It extends electrically through the finish. It will take age as a certainty. Alcohol: 11.5%. Closure: screwcap. Drink: 2017-2027+. Price: \$45. Rating: 95/100.

Campbell Mattinson, The Wine Front RRP \$45

\$34.95 in any 12 \$37.95 PER BOTTLE



"ELEGANCE AND SEAMLESSNESS"
MIKE BENNIE

#### Henschke Henrys Seven 2016

Region: Barossa Valley Rating: 94/100

Contains grenache, mataro and a cool 9% of viognier. Built for perfume and structure, says Stephen Henschke. Fragrant red of wafty spice, red currants, some sweet earthy notes, light raspberry, but the main deal is spice, sweet, brown, peppery, delicious. So silky in the palate, a good slick of liquid spice in raspberry fruit characters, finishes lightly peppery, pretty and with a light corkscrew of tannins. Elegance and seamlessness. Beautiful drinking. Alcohol: 14.5%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Jun 18. Drink: 2018-2030. Price: \$37. Rating: 93/100.

Mike Bennie, The Wine Front RRP \$37

\$27.95 in any 12 \$29.95 PER BOTTLE



"AWASH WITH BLACK FRUITS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION". JAMES HALLIDAY

#### Henschke Tappa Pass Shiraz 2016

Region: Eden Valley Rating: 95/100 🏠

From vines up to 70yo in the Eden and Barossa Valleys, matured in French hogsheads (19% new) for 18 months. This has quite extraordinary depth to its dense crimson-purple hue, a clue to the palate of the wine, which first hit the headlines in '10, and has continued to do so every year since. It is awash with black fruits of every description, tannins and oak folded within the voluminous fruits. The magic of the wine is that it is neither heavy or extractive, just very, very long. Alcohol: 14.6%. Closure: Vino-lok. Date tasted: 15 March 2018. Price: \$115. Rating: 97/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP \$115

\$94.95 in any 12 \$99.95 PER BOTTLE



"A STAND-OUT VINTAGE FOR THIS WINE",

#### Henschke Mount Edelstone Shiraz 2015

Region: Eden Valley Rating: 98/100 🖒 🏠

Deepish red colour with just a trace of purple in its rim, the bouquet is pungent raspberry, squashed overripe raspberry, classic Mt Edelstone. The wine is succulently fruit-sweet: gorgeously extravagant fruit floods the palate. It's almost jammy, the fine but persistent tannins just pulling it together on the finish so the aftertaste and follow-through are clean and balanced and refreshing. Lush fruit flavour, astonishing texture, very old-viney, a very impressive Edelstone. A stand-out vintage for this wine. Drink: 2019-2040. Price: \$225. Rating: 98/100.

Huon Hooke, The Real Review RRP \$225

\$215.00 PER BOTTLE

# BAROSSA **RED BARGAINS**

The Barossa is Australia's most famous wine producing region, with plantings of their iconic shiraz dating back to 1847. The Barossa region encompasses both the Barossa Valley and more elevated Eden Valley, both producing red wines of real depth, great structure and unique character.

As always, our Hidden Label and Secret Label wines offer unbelievable value.



ONE OF THE BAROSSA VALLEY'S TOP FAMILY-OWNED WINERIES.

#### **Hidden Label Reserve Barossa Shiraz 2016** (KSL 7722)

Region: Barossa Valley Rating: 95/100

Their flagship shiraz is one of Australia's most highly regarded icon wines. This is their Estate Shiraz which is sourced from their three vineyards with some vines as old as 100 years. Luscious shiraz. It is full bodied and rich. The palate flavours of mocha and dark chocolate are deep and lasting. Approachable now but will age well over many decades. Classic Barossa Shiraz.

Kemenys Sells for up to \$34 under its own

\$20.00 PER BOTTLE



"PERFUME, FINESSE, BALANCE AND JUICY DRINKABILITY", JAMES HALLIDAY

#### **Secret Label Barossa** Valley Shiraz 2016 (KSL 1229)

Region: Barossa Valley Rating: 95/100 & &

Violet, anise and bouncy blue fruits are tucked in neatly by a curl of western Barossan mineral and a seam of softly wrought tannins, belying the hefty alcohol (14.8%) noted on the label. The ultimate impression is one of perfume, finesse, balance and juicy drinkability, stamped with regional generosity. Alcohol: 14.8%.Date tasted: Dec 2017. Closure: screwcap. Drink by: 2032. Price:\$35. Rating: 95/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion **RRP \$35** 



"EXCELLENT WINE, AND GORGEOUS DRINKING ALREADY". HUON HOOKE

#### **Secret Label Reserve Barossa Vallev Grenache 2016** (KSL 1154)

Region: Barossa Valley Rating: 96/100 🗞 🇞

Deep red colour with a tint of purple. The bouquet is intense and spicy, also slightly iammy and deliciously super-ripe. without sacrificing vibrancy. A trace of char oak. There's a lovely deep core of sweet ripe fruit, before a drying, savoury tannin finish, which is beautifully balanced. Excellent wine, and gorgeous drinking already, although it will age superbly. Drink: 2018-2036. Price: \$70. Rating: 95/100.

Huon Hooke, The Real Review **RRP \$70** 

**PER BOTTLE** 



#### **Hidden Label Barossa Grenache Shiraz** Mourvedre 2015 (KHL 8814)

Region: Barossa Valley Rating: 95/100

A light, brilliantly coloured blend of grenache, shiraz, mourvedre, cinsaut and carignan. A finely wrought and balanced wine with just about every spice and every red berry you can imagine from this Southern Rhone blend. A truly wonderful trattoria wine that soars on the gently savoury finish. Alcohol: 14%. Date tasted: Sep 2017. Drink by: 2030. Price: \$25. Rating: 95/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion **RRP \$25** 

\$15.00 PER BOTTLE



#### **Hidden Label Barossa** Valley Rosé 2017 (KHL 2396)

Region: Barossa Valley Rating: 95/100

Grenache, cinsaut and mourvedre. The complexity of the fragrant bouquet with its exotic spice, dried rose petals and talcum powder segues to the palate with its Byzantine mosaic of juicy red fruits. It is so highly flavoured you might expect some sweetness on the finish, but it's dry. Alcohol: 12.5%. Price: \$25. Rating: 95/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion **RRP \$25** 

\$15.00 PER BOTTLE





Winemaker Kym Teusner, with viticulturist Michael Page founded Teusner Wines in 2001, and in a relatively short time have established Teusner as one of the leading Barossa producers. Kym came to winemaking through his involvement in the hospitality industry. After graduating from Adelaide University, he 'learned the ropes' at quality establishments such as Torbreck and Rolf Binder Wines, at the same time building the Teusner business. Kym want on to be voted as Gourmet Traveller's 2007 'Young Winemaker of the Year'.

In 2001, the lads overheard some grape growers contemplating removal of their 85 year-old grenache vines because of the low prices being offered by the large producers. Kym and Mick immediately grasped the opportunity and offered them far more for the crop if they'd keep the vineyard in the ground. Over the years, Teusner has gradually increased their number of loyal growers, and broadened their range of varietals from these top quality vineyards.

With this exclusive access to some of the Barossa's finest old-vine fruit, the results have been outstanding. Try some of these reds and see what the fuss is about.



#### ALL GUNS BLAZING

#### 1960 Teusner Old Vine The Young Gun Shiraz 2015

Region: Barossa Valley Rating: 96/100 & &

In 2007, Kym Teusner won the Kemenys medal for Young Winemaker of the Year and has since emerged as the star of the new breed of Barossa winemakers. Teusner's love of old-vine grapes sourced from old-school Barossa growers has led to the evolution of his concentrated and powerful shiraz style - and this shiraz is no exception. Sourced from the surrounds of the original Teusner homestead in the Barossa Valley, it is generous and fleshy with restrained ripeness and deep, long flavours that will gain further complexity with cellaring for a decade or more. True & righteous pleasure. Only 700 dozen made.

Kemenys

\$19.60

PER BOTTLE

"THIS IS A VERY ATTRACTIVE MATARO", JAMES HALLIDAY

#### Teusner the Dog Strangler Mataro 2017

Region: Barossa Valley Rating: 96/100 🖒 🏠

While it's a proverbial name, it won't enhance the wine's prospects with canine lovers - which is a pity, for this is a very attractive mataro that has counterintuitively flourished in the cool vintage. The colour is bright and deep, the palate flush with spicy/plummy fruits, the tannins soft. Alcohol: 14.5%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Sep 2018. Drink by: 2030. Price: \$35. Rating: 95/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP S35

\$24.95 in any 12

\$26.95 PER BOTTLE



Teusner

#### "THERE'S A SUCCULENCE HERE WITH LITHE TANNINS", JAMES HALLIDAY

#### Teusner the Independent Shiraz Mataro 2016

Region: Barossa Valley Rating: 94/100 🏠

An even split between shiraz and mataro, aged 1 year in seasoned oak. There's a flurry of bright, juicy fruit, earthy, warm spices rolling onto palate just shy of full-bodied. There's a succulence here with lithe tannins, there's depth and structure; it's absolutely commendable to make quality and deliciousness. Alcohol: 14.5%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted. Jan 2018. Drink by: 2024. Price: \$27. Rating: 94/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP \$27

\$17.95 in any 12 \$19.95 PER BOTTLE



#### A SMASH HIT

#### **Teusner Avatar 2016**

Region: Barossa Valley Rating: 96/100 & &

Teusner's brilliant 'Rhone' blend includes material from gnarly old vines which are almost 100 years old. Aromas include an array of bright red and blue berries, dark fruits, peppery spice and floral scents. Flavours are fresh and deep, with vibrant cherry and raspberry to the fore with gentle spice and pepper. Long tannins and immaculate balance carry the wine to great heights. Should cellar well for a decade and beyond.

Kemenys RRP \$40

\$26.95 in any 13

\$29.95 PER BOTTLE



#### "LOVELY WINE". JAMES HALLIDAY

#### **Teusnser The Wark Family Shiraz 2017**

Region: Barossa Valley Rating: 95/100 & &

Stories, past and present, form the tapestry of the generations who have grown grapes and made wine in the Barossa. They are the core of the many others, artists, chefs and many more, and Kim Teusner pays homage to one such, the Wark family, with this lovely wine redolent of blackberries, blackcurrant, licorice and tar, yet retains elegance. Alcohol: 14.5%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Sep 2018. Drink by: 2030. Price: \$30. Rating: 95/100.

James Halliday,

Australian Wine Companion

RRP \$30

\$19.95 in any 12

\$21.95 PER BOTTLE

"THE VOLUME OF CASSIS/BLACKCURRANT FRUIT IS VERY IMPRESSIVE", JAMES HALLIDAY

#### Teusner the Gentleman Cabernet Sauvignon 2017

Region: Barossa Valley Rating: 94/10 🖒 🖒

The colour is a deep crimson-purple, and the volume of cassis/blackcurrant fruit is very impressive. While it is powerful, the edges have been skillfully honed and smoothed, making the wine an each way proposition now or much later. Alcohol: 14.5%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Sep 2018. Drink by: 2037. Price: \$27. Rating: 93/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP S27

\$18.95 in any 12 \$20.95 PER BOTTLE



# A BIT OF BOTTLE AGE - Reds

Most high quality red wines benefit from bottle age. As a wine matures, it will evolve, creating a range of attractive characters, both in aroma and flavour. Every wine is unique, and over time, the range of complex reactions within the bottle can vary immensely. In red wines, the initial primary fruit characters diminish, with tannins and acidity softening. They are complemented with secondary bottle aged characters which contribute enhanced complexity, smoothness and balance. Of course the wines change at varying rates, so they will arrive at their ideal 'drinking windows' earlier or later than others.

Wine is a delicate commodity and the cellaring potential and freshness of a wine is also affected by variety, structure, cellaring conditions (especially heat and humidity) and sometimes the quality of the closure. With the advent of screwcap, wines are maintaining their freshness much more effectively.

Try these reds and you'll appreciate the benefits of bottle age.



#### A BLEND OF THE BEST FROM THE MOUNTADAM

#### **Mountadam the Red 2010**

Region: Eden Valley Rating: 96/100 & &

A 52/45/3% blend of cabernet sauvignon, merlot and cabernet franc. The colour is very good, the palate a lovely display of satin and velvet blackcurrant and redcurrant fruit, holding its line after 2 years in new French oak, perfectly weighted tannins the cream on the cake. Alcohol: 14.5%. Date tasted: Jan 2014. Drink by: 2030. Rating: 96/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP \$40

**\$34.95 PER BOTTLE** 



#### "PRICE IS HARD TO BELIEVE". KIM BREBACH

#### 1960 Taltarni Old Vine **Block 27 Pyrenees Cabernet Sauvignon 2010**

Region: Pyrenees Rating: 96/100 🗞 🏠

Right from the start, this wine impressed me with its elegance and strength, depth and length, and its style: classic minty, medium-bodied Aussie Cabernet. All the promises the Victorian Pyrenees have made over the years have been fulfilled in this wine. That it's seven years old is a bonus, but it'll improve for many more. Price is hard to believe. Back up the ute. Price: \$19.60. Rating: 96/100.

Kim Brebach, bestwinesunder20.com.au

PER BOTTLE



#### "FANTASTIC LENGTH" - JAMES HALLIDAY

#### Tyrrell's Vat 9 Shiraz 2010

Region: Hunter Valley Rating: 97/100 & &

Light, clear crimson-purple; the deliberately gentle touch in the winery is exemplified by the 2700-litre new and used French casks (10 times the capacity of a barrique) in which the wine is matured, and the resultant fragrance of the bouquet and the delicious light to mediumbodied palate with its vibrant fruit and silky tannins. Has fantastic length. Alcohol: 13%. Drink by: 2030. Rating: 97/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion **RRP \$100** 

\$83.95 PER BOTTLE



#### "AN OUTSTANDING SHIRAZ". HUON HOOKE

#### **Secret Label Coonawarra** Shiraz 2013 (KSL 5092)

Region: Coonawarra Rating: 96/100 & &

Deep rich black fruits and chocolate aromas, the sumptuous blackberry flavours pouring in on the palate. It's very rich, ripe, concentrated and utterly delicious. Soft, fleshy, decadent texture. An outstanding shiraz. Alcohol: 14%. Closure: screwcap. Drink: to 2040. Price: \$75. Rating: 96/100

Huon Hooke. The Real Review RRP \$70 PER BOTTLE



#### "RICH, FIRM AND SHOWING EXCELLENT PERSISTENCE". JAMES HALLIDAY

#### **Mitchell Sevenhill Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2012**

Region: Clare Valley Rating: 96/100 & &

Rich, firm and showing excellent persistence. There are no queries over the wine's complexity either. Dust, herbs, a juicy flow of blackcurrant, earthen notes, tobacco characters. Toastv oak is a subtle influence at most. Eucalypt characters are there, as rising agents, without ever threatening to dominate. And tannin is a solid, majestic swirl through the back half of the wine. Alcohol: 14.5%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Jan 2016. Drink by: 2027. Price: \$30. Rating: 95/100.

James Hallidav. Australian Wine Companion **RRP \$30** 

in any 12 \$25.95 PER BOTTLE



#### "CONTINUE TO CRUISE ALONG FOR ANOTHER DECADE", JAMES HALLIDAY

#### **Geoff Merrill Jacko's Shiraz** 2012

Region: McLaren Vale Rating: 95/100 & &

Matured for 24 months in American oak (20% new). A deliciously fresh and vibrant wine underlining just how great the '12 vintage was. Multifaceted red and black berry fruits are juicy, yet have ample texture and structure. This will continue to cruise along for another decade at least. Alcohol: 14.5%. Date tasted: Feb 2017. Drink: to 2027. Price: \$31. Rating: 95/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion

\$25.95 PER BOTTLE

# A BIT OF BOTTLE AGE - Whites

The best Australian white wines also benefit from the added complexities of cellaring. In Australia, the vast majority of whites are consumed in their first few years.

We have some traditional white varieties which thrive with extended bottle age. They include semillon, principally from the Hunter Valley, Central Victorian marsanne and riesling, from all its specialist regions.

All these varieties move through their fresh primary fruit phase, where most wines are consumed, then blossom slowly through to lovely toasty, honeyed aromas and flavours so admired by aficionados. They are world class wines of a unique style, which by international standards are vastly under-priced. We are very lucky to have ready access to these bargain-priced gems.



"A UNIQUE AUSTRALIAN CLASSIC", JAMES HALLIDAY

#### Tahbilk Museum Release Marsanne 2011

Region: Nagambie Lakes Rating: 96/100 & &

The bright green-golden colour is marvellous; the bouquet and palate operate in perfect harmony with lime, lemon, lemon curd, honeysuckle and toast all on eloquent parade. A unique Australian classic with no contender in sight. Alcohol: 11.5%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Sep 2016. Drink by: 2025. Price: \$24. Rating: 95/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion BRP \$24

\$17.95 in any 12 \$19.95 PER BOTTLE



"GOING TO BE GRAND", GARY WALSH

#### Secret Label Hunter Valley Semillon 2011 (KSL 7088)

Region: Hunter Valley Rating: 95/100 🗞 🗞

Clean, fresh, almost peachy fruit along with aniseed and lime. It's flinty and fine boned with sparklingly pure acidity and excellent length of flavour. There's a suggestion of lettuce and grassiness, but it doesn't obscure the delicacy and finesse of this little gem. It's approachable now, in smash it with fish and chips kind of way, though it would seem a shame to do so. I liked it immediately. Suspect it's going to be grand. Alcohol: 10.9%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Sep 2011. Drink: 2012 to 2031+. Rating: 94/100.

Gary Walsh, The Wine Front

\$24.95 PER BOTTLE



AUSTRALIA'S MOST AWARDED WINE

#### Tyrrell's Vat 1 Semillon 2005

Region: Hunter Valley Rating: 99/100 🗞 🏠 🗞

A very great Hunter semillon, to be re-released in May 2018 at \$175 to commemorate the 160th anniversary of Tyrrell's Wines. The wine is still very fresh and yet has acquired all the wonderful toasty and beeswaxy complexities of a mature semillon. The palate is intense and long, pure and refreshing as well as multi-layered, with impeccable line. A benchmark wine. (57 gold medals, 33 trophies). Drink: 2018-2023. Price: \$175. Rating: 99/100.

Huon Hooke, The Real Review RRP \$175

\$150.00



"YUM! A GREAT WINE", HUON HOOKE

#### Howard Park Museum Release Riesling 2012

Region: Great Southern Rating: 97/100 🏠 🏠

Light to medium yellow colour, with a lovely developed bouquet of buttered toast. There are peach, stone fruit and floral nuances, too. The palate is full in the mouth, round and soft, with almost fluffy mouth-feel, finely-textured and superbly harmonious. Yum! A great wine. Alcohol: 12%. Closure: screwcap. Drink: to 2027. Price: \$41. Rating; 97/100.

Huon Hooke, huonhooke.com RRP S41

\$29.95 S31.95 PER BOTTLE



"THE FLAVOUR COATS THE MOUTH, AND WON'T Let Go", James Halliday

#### Hardys HRB D650 Riesling 2011

Region: Multi Regional Score: 95/100 & &

D650. A synergistic blend of Clare Valley and Tasmanian riesling, lifting the citrus fruit profile of the Clare component and balancing that with the acidity and texture of the Tasmanian component; the flavour coats the mouth, and won't let go. A cellaring special, although there is a case to be made to open a bottle tonight. Alcohol: 12.5%. Date tasted: Aug 2012. Drink by: 2031. Rating: 95/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP \$35

\$26.95 PER BOTTLE

\$24.95 in any 12

# Pinot Noin

#### "Many believe this is where the Pinot grail is to be found", Jancis Robinson, MW.

Central Otago, on New Zealand's south island is, without doubt, one of the great Pinot Noir producing regions of the world. Originally dominated by fruit orchards, the region's vineyards started to emerge in the 1970s. The cool, even climate and rich free-draining soils have proven ideal for a number of grape varieties, but it is pinot noir which has thrived and is now producing some of the world's top examples of the variety.



#### FELTON ROAD'S NEIGHBOUR

#### **Domain Road Pinot Noir 2015**

Region: Central Otago Rating: 95/100 🗞 🗞

Felton Road's neighbour. This sells out in a flash. No surprise, as Domain Road's Defiance Vineyard is on Felton Road just next to the vineyards of arguably New 7ealand's most famous name whose ninot noir sells for much higher prices. A rich and generous Central Otago style featuring aromas of deep ripe dark cherry and plum fruits, dark chocolate and baking spices. The supple palate delivers on every level, with dark plum and five spice, juicy cherry and some forest floor notes. Detailed and finely balanced with bright mineral acidity and fine tannins. Delicious pinot which will improve even further over the next few years.

Kemenvs **RRP \$40** 

\$31.95 PER BOTTLE



#### NEW ZEALAND'S TOP SELLING PINOT NOIR OVER \$20.

#### **Rabbit Ranch Pinot Noir 2017**

Region: Central Otago Rating: 94/100 🗞 🗞

It is becoming harder and harder to find affordable entry-level pinot noir. New producers in Tasmania are asking for, and getting, \$50 a bottle, big names in the Yarra Valley and Mornington Peninsula command similar price tags. Rabbit Ranch is the intro label of Central Otago star Chard Farm - and this offers all you'd want from a juicy, fruity, uncomplicated but very enjoyable midweek pinot. Think bright red fruit, bramble bush notes and low tannins in a rewarding fruitforward slurper.

Winsor Dobbin **RRP \$27** 

\$23.95 PER BOTTLE



#### CENTRAL OTAGO PINOT AT A GIFT PRICE

#### **Secret Label Central Otago Pinot Noir 2018** (KSL 1316)

Region: Central Otago Rating: 93/100 🗞 🗞

Central Otago pinot noir at an unheard of price! From a renowned vineyard in the famed Bendigo sub-region of Central Otago. Deep ruby red. Good vinous presence revealing ripe dark and red berry aromas with vibrant spice. Fine acidity adds freshness and vitality. Good linearity leads to a lingering finish of berry fruits, spices and herbs. Gold medal winner at the New Zealand International Wine Awards 2018.

Kemenys RRP \$25 PER BOTTLE



"SO APPEALING AND ACCESSIBLE", BOB CAMPBELL

#### **Amisfield Central Otago Pinot Noir 2016**

Region: Central Otago Rating: 95/100 &

Aromatic pinot noir with floral, violet, dark cherry, plum and spice flavours. A silkentextured wine that is so appealing and accessible now that it's hard to imagine it getting much better with bottle age. Drink: 2018-2022. Rating: 94/100.

Bob Campbell MW, The Real Review RRP \$50

\$42.95 PER BOTTLE



#### "WONDERFUL", MIKE BENNIE

#### **Rippon Central Otago Pinot Noir 2013**

Region: Central Otago Rating: 96/100 &

Savoury scents, sweet earth, briar, dark cherry, Chinese five spice, faint amaro sour-sweet characters. Love pinot like this. So succulent in the palate - long, faintly sappy, crisp tannins, beautiful silky carry through the palate, finishes with tobacco-like savouriness and amaro-orange zestiness. All perfectly meshed, so much to think about per sip. Wonderful. Alcohol: 13%. Closure: diam. Date tasted: Feb 17. Drink: 2017-2027. Price: \$75. Rating: 95/100.

Mike Bennie. The Wine Front RRP \$75

\$73.95 PER BOTTLE



#### "ALL KILLER NO FILLER!"

#### **Rockburn Pinot Noir 2016**

Region: Central Otago Rating: 96/100 🗞 🏠

All killer no filler! Optimally ripe red cherry and mulberry notes with fruit tea and cinnamon spice characters. A luxurious wine with cashmere textured tannins, a racy acid bite and a long, intense, focused fruit finish. Superbly smooth. Rating: 97/100.

**Decanter Asia Wine Awards** RRP \$45

**\$37.95 PER BOTTLE** 

AMISFIELD

# **TROPHY WINNING PINOT NOIR**

"THE FLAVOUR COATS THE MOUTH, AND WON'T LET GO". JAMES HALLIDAY

#### **Yabby Lake Single Vineyard Pinot Noir 2016**

Region: Mornington Peninsula Rating: 96/100 & &

Winner of two major trophies: Best Single Vineyard Dry Red at the National Wine Show of Australia 2017 and Best Pinot Noir (current vintage) at the Mornington Peninsula Vignerons Wine Show 2017. Just another feather in the cap for Yabby Lake winemaker Tom Carson who is recognised as one of Australia's finest winemakers. Super silky and generously proportioned, yet poised and refined. Drinking beautifully now but has James Halliday recently observed "gentle spices will grow over time, adding another dimension to an already compelling

#### Kemenys RRP \$64

Trophy, Best Single Vineyard Dry Red, National Wine Show of Australia 2017

Trophy, Best Pinot Noir (current vintage), Mornington Peninsula Vignerons Wine Show 2017

Gold, National Wine Show of Australia 2017

Gold, Mornington Peninsula Vignerons Wine Show 2017

Gold, Australian Pinot Noir Challenge 2017

Gold, Royal Queensland Wine Show 2017

Gold, Mornington Peninsula Vignerons Wine

Pinot noir is a famously temperamental variety, and it has taken many years for Australian producers to identify its ideal growing regions. It also requires a delicate hand in the winery to come up with the best possible results.

Over the past decade or so, word-class Australian pinot noir has emerged in increasing numbers from the dress-circle cool-climate regions, particularly from Tasmania, Victoria's Yarra Valley and Mornington Peninsular and Adelaide Hills.

Here is a selection of brilliant trophy-winning pinots these regions









"IT'S A SUPERBLY FRAGRANT PINOT", JAMES

#### **Montalto Estate Pinot Noir 2017**

Region: Mornington Peninsula Rating: 96/100 🖒 🖒

Winemaker Simon Black has explored pinot noir where others have feared to go, but the vintage did the heavy lifting here. It's a superbly fragrant pinot, red cherries, strawberries, plums and spices sharing the spoils of both the bouquet and the very long palate. Alcohol: 13.5%. Drink to: 2030. Price: \$50.00. Rating: 96/100

#### James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion **RRP \$50**

Trophy, Best Wine in Show, Decanter Asia Wine Awards 2018

Trophy, Best Pinot Noir, Winewise Small Vignerons Awards 2018

Trophy, Best Pinot Noir, Mornington Peninsula Wine

Gold, Boutique Wine Awards 2018

Gold, Winewise Small Vignerons Awards 2018

Gold, Decanter Asian Wine Awards 2018

Gold Victoria Wine Show 2018

#### WINNER - AUSTRALIAN PINOT NOIR CHALLENGE THIS IS PRETTY SWISH

#### **Handpicked Collection Mornington Peninsula Pinot Noir 2017**

Region: Mornington Peninsula Rating: 97/100 🖒 🥎

Handpicked's 'Collection' label is reserved for their very best wines. This pinot noir ticks all the boxes. Made from pristine Mornington Peninsula fruit, the aroma shows dark and red berries, earthy savoury characters, smoky oak and spice. The palate has excellent weight, with dark cherry, herbs and earth, spicy oak and silky tannins. Drinking beautifully now, and will cellar well for another five or six years.

#### Kemenys **RRP \$60**

Trophy, Best Australian Pinot Noir, Australian Pinot Challenge 2018

Trophy, Best Mornington Peninsula Pinot Noir, Australian Pinot Challenge 2018

Gold, Australian Pinot Challenge 2018

Gold, Mornington Peninsula Wine Show 2018

#### **Sidewood 777 Clone Pinot Noir 2017**

Region: Adelaide Hills Rating: 96/100 🗞 🗞

Everything the Sidewood winery touches at the moment seems to turn to gold and trophies. This very special pinot noir is a case in point. It's a glorious pinot, with masses of fragrant ripe red and dark berry aromas, florals and herbal nuances from 30% whole-bunch input, spice and oak. Complex flavour profile, with red cherry, plum, asian spices and savoury, earthy elements. Juicy acidity and ultra-fine tannins round out a stunning wine. Very limited production of only 3000 bottles.

#### Kemenys **RRP \$38**

Trophy, Best Pinot Noir, Adelaide Hills Wine Show 2018 (98 Points)

Gold. Adelaide Hills Wine Show 2018

Gold, Single Vineyard Wine Show 2018

#### "ABUNDANT DEPTH AND RICHNESS", JAMES

#### **Bream Creek Reserve Pinot Noir 2015**

Region: Coal Valley Rating: 96/100 🖒 🥎

The identical vinification of this and its vintage sibling strongly suggests it was a best barrel selection, a belief strengthened by the palate. There is abundant depth and richness, the varietal character underwritten by the fine drive and lingering finish. I suspect this wine will widen the gap between the two wines as time goes by. Alcohol: 13.7%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Jan 2018. Drink by: 2030. Rating: 96/100.

#### James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion **RRP \$59**

Trophy, Best Pre 2016 Pinot Noir, WineWise Championship 2018

Gold Tasmanian Wine Show 2018

Gold, Melbourne International Wine Competition

Gold, China Wine & Spirits Awards 2018

Gold, AWC Vienna International Wine Competition

Gold, Cowra Wine Show 2018

Gold, Royal Melbourne Wine Awards 2017

## **COONAWARRA CABERNETS**

Coonawarra was settled in the mid-1800s by sheep and fruit farmers. In 1891, with John Riddoch planting the first grape vines, and thereby establishing the genesis of a great wine producing region.

It wasn't until the early 1950s that large scale wine production took place with Samuel Wynn purchasing the original Riddoch vineyards. Up until this point, shiraz was the main red variety until the likes of David Wynn and other family wineries made Coonawarra synonymous with cabernet sauvignon.

Coonawarra was, for many years, been considered Australia's pre-eminent cabernet producing region. Other regions such as Margaret River have thrown down challenges to the title, but Coonawarra continues to be the source of some of our greatest cabernets.



#### "ELEGANT, STYLISH, BALANCED", HUON HOOKE

#### **Jim Brand Reserve Domain Cabernets 2013**

Region: Coonawarra Rating: 96/100 & &

Concentrated and very minty. A very ripe and varietal cabernet blend but it's not at all herbaceous. Soft tannins. Elegant, stylish, balanced. A very good wine, which harks back to the first ever Brand's Coonawarra wine, which was a similar blend. (81% cabernet sauvignon, 11% merlot, 8% cabernet franc). Drink: 2017-2037. Price: \$70. Rating: 95/100.

Huon Hooke, The Real Review **RRP \$70** 



#### "AN IMPRESSIVE WINE" HIINN HOOKE

#### **Secret Label Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon** 2015 (KSL 2848)

Region: Coonawarra Rating: 95/100 & &

Deep red/purple colour and a vibrant blackberry, blackcurrant cabernet aroma, well backed with oak, which lacks the intensity of mint seen in earlier vintages. Firm tannins and lively acidity, while the concentration of flavour and extract is there to ensure balance. An impressive wine, and a step up for this label. It promises much for the future. Drink to: 2040. Price: \$36. Rating: 95/100.

Huon Hooke. The Real Review RRP \$36

ONE OF COONAWARRA'S FLAGSHIP CABERNETS

#### **Hidden Label Coonawarra Cabernet** Sauvignon 2017 (KHL 1085)

Region: Coonawarra Rating: 95/100

This famous family-owned winery is situated in the heart of Coonawarra, with its rich Terra Rosa soil over limestone providing the ideal environment for growing premium cabernet sauvignon. It is recognised as one of the Coonawarra region's flagship cabernets. A beautifully Intense, ripe, crushed dark berry and cedar aromas with a hint of leaf. Smooth, concentrated flavours of blackcurrant, plum and dark chocolate, with savoury of olive, minerals and well-judged toasty oak. Supple and fine, with layers of fine, ripe tannin. A long, powerful but elegant finish. Its pedigree suggests it will age gracefully for well over a decade.

Kemenvs Sells for up to \$35 under its own label



#### "SUMPTUOUS, SAVOURY CABERNET AT A RIDICULOUS PRICE". NED GOODWIN

#### **Wynns Black Label Cabernet Sauvignon** 2016

Region: Coonawarra Rating: 96/100 🗞 🗞

This is sumptuous, savoury cabernet at a ridiculous price. The tannins are pristine and tight of grain; the acidity fresh and juicy; the oak embellishing rather than smothering; the fruit, an effortless flow of current, leaf, mint. bitter chocolate and a punctuation of bay leaf and a herbal potpourri, staining the long finish. Alcohol: 13.8%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Dec 2017. Drink by: 2031. Price: \$45. Rating: 95/100.

Ned Godwin, Australian Wine Companion

\$33.95 PER BOTTLE

**BUY 6 BOTTLES of Richard Hamilton Hut Block Cabernet Sauvignon 2016** 

and we will give you a FREE BOTTLE of one of the Coonawarra's flagship cabernets, the Leconfield **Estate Cabernet** Sauvignon 2016

(selling for \$35 at cellar door)

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PER BOTTLE

RICHARD HAMILTO

HUT BLOCK

"A STATUESOUE CABERNET OF REAL CELLARING POTENTIAL". HUON HOOKE

#### **Richard Hamilton Hut Block Cabernet** Sauvignon 2016

Region: McLaren Vale Rating: 94/100 & &

It is a perennial bargain, sought each year by people in the know (Leconfield winemaker, Paul Gordon, always produces a top Hut Block cabernet). However the excellent 2016 is

a standout with this cabernet sauvignon winning four gold medals at major wine shows. It is a full bodied cabernet with cedar notes adding to its abundant rich core of blackcurrant fruit. Wine critic Huon Hooke says it is "a statuesque cabernet of real cellaring potential" and recommends a drinking window of twenty years. Excellent value. As a special offer if you buy only 6 bottles we will give you a free bottle of one of the Coonawarra's flagship cabernets, the Leconfield Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2016 (which sells at cellar door for \$35.)

> Kemenys RRP \$21

# A classically structured Coonawarra

cabernet displaying a rich and complex mix of blackcurrant, plum, mint and smoky oak. A single vineyard classic sourced from Leconfield founder Sydney Hamilton's first vineyard, the Front Twenty Block, planted in 1974. This is a cabernet sauvignon of unique distinction which will continue to develop gracefully over the next decade or more. Only 550 dozen made.

SOURCED FROM SYDNEY HAMILTON'S ORIGINAL

**Vine Front Twenty Block** 

Region: Coonawarra Rating: 95/100 & &

1960 Leconfield Old

**Cabernet Sauvignon** 

Kemenys

**PER BOTTLE** 









Bleasdale is one of the most historic Australian wineries, having been established in 1850 by Frank Potts, and is the heart and soul of Langhorne Creek. Of late, Bleasdale's show success, critical acclaim, and most importantly, the wines' stellar quality and sheer value for money has made a real impact.

Paul Hotker, Bleasdale's Chief Winemaker has been the main driver of their current success. In last year's edition of James Halliday's Wine Companion, there were 16 Bleasdale wines featured, of which 11 received 95 points, an incredible feat, and this year's wines are right on song. Paul's blending skills are second to none, with his red blends being rated alongside the great Wolf Blass show wines made by the legendary John Glaetzer.



"GOLD AT THE NATIONAL WINE SHOW '17 Speaks volumes", James Halliday

#### **Bleasdale Frank Potts 2016**

Region: Langhorne Creek Rating: 96/100 🌢 🌢

Clever cabernet-dominant blend incorporating malbec, franc, merlot and petit verdot to great effect. Red and black fruited, leafy cabernet, fine savoury tannins, line and length to burn. Complexity derived from judicious use different varieties rather than sheer mass, oak or volume. Gold at the National Wine Show '17 speaks volumes. Alcohol: 14%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Jan 2018. Drink by: 2030. Price: \$35. Rating: 96/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion BRP \$35

\$24.95 in any 12

\$26.95 PER BOTTLE



TROPHY, BEST RED BLEND, NATIONAL WINE SHOW OF AUSTRALIA 2018

#### Bleasdale Wellington Road GSM 2017

Region: Langhorne Creek Rating: 97/100 🖒 🦫

The 2016 vintage was included in James Halliday's Top 100 and rated a hefty 96 points. However, what really caught our eye at the time was that in his tasting note James Halliday said "I drool as I think about the not yet released '17 version". Maybe James has a crystal ball as within weeks the 2017 Bleasdale Wellington Road GSM was crowned Australia's best red blend at the National Wine Show of Australia 2018. A stunning blend of Grenache (50%), Shiraz (44%) and Mataro (6%). Crimson red with cherry and blackberry fruits supported by nutmeg, spice, white pepper and some savoury, earthy characters. A generous, opulent palate complemented by textured chalky tannins. Outside of cellar door almost impossible to get.

Kemenys RRP \$32



#### **AUSTRALIA'S BEST MALBEC UNDER \$20**

#### 1960 Bleasdale The Pioneer Malbec 2014

Region: Langhorne Creek Rating: 96/100 🌢 🦫

Bleasdale is one of the most historic
Australian wineries, having been established in 1850 by Frank Potts, and is the spiritual home of Langhorne Creek. Situated on the fertile flood plains of the Bremer River in Langhorne Creek, the malbec grape has been instrumental to many of their most famous wines. With production in the earlier days going to make a range of fortified ports and sherries, Bleasdale's very first varietal wine was actually a malbec in 1961. Possessing classic Langhorne Creek richness, structure and texture, this 1960 Bleasdale The Pioneer Malbec 2014 will develop beautifully for over a decade. Only 576 dozen made.

Kemenys

\$19.60

PER BOTTLE

"ELEGANT WINE SHOUTING ITS VARIETY AND PLACE FROM THE ROOFTOPS", JAMES HALLIDAY

#### Bleasdale Mulberry Tree Cabernet Sauvignon

Region: Langhorne Creek Rating: 94/100 & &

Made with the same care as a red wine four times its price, the quality embarrassingly good. It's an elegant wine shouting its variety and place from the rooftops, its vibrantly fresh blackcurrant/cassis heart pumping furiously. Matured in real French oak barrels (15% new), mlf ditto - the list goes on and on, much based upon its 14% alcohol. Why can't so many SA winemakers get the message? Alcohol: 14%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Jan 2018. Drink by: 2031. Price: \$20. Rating: 94/100.

James Halliday,

Australian Wine Companion

RRP \$20

\$16.95 in any 12 \$18.95 PER BOTTLE



#### Bleasdale Adelaide Hills Chardonnay 2018

Region: Adelaide Hills Rating: 94/100 🗞 🗞

Adelaide Hills is renowned for producing outstanding cool climate Chardonnay. Bleasdale's senior winemaker has handpicked premium fruit from select Adelaide Hills vineyards which have been gently whole bunch pressed direct to premium French Oak. Attractive white peach, white nectarine and lemon aromas with nuances of pear, roasted almonds and bacon along with toasty oak. The palate shows huge, structured length of fruit with complex subtle nougat flavours, good acidity and balance. To be enjoyed over the next 3 to 4 years (especially with your favourite salmon dish). As always with Bleasdale, the value is immense.

Kemenys RRP \$25

\$17.95 in any 12 \$19.95 PER BOTTLE



"VERY CONCENTRATED AND POWERFUL",

#### Bleasdale the Powder Monkey Shiraz 2015

Region: Langhorne Creek Rating: 97/100 & &

Destemmed, 15% whole berries, 9-12 days on skins, matured in French oak (27% new) for 12 months, gold medal Melbourne Wine Awards '16. Deep crimson-purple; this is a wine that begs no questions. It is very concentrated and powerful, but there's no sign of a midriff bulge. The fruits are all black, both berry and cherry, the oak and tannins built into the very fabric of the wine. Alcohol: 14%. Date tasted: Jan 2017. Drink by: 2035. Price: \$65. Rating: 97/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP \$65

\$**54**.95 in any 12

\$58.95 PER BOTTLE







# LEEUWIN **MAGIC**

Leeuwin Estate was one of the five founding wineries of the now famous Margaret River under the stewardship of the Horgan family. Their first commercial vintage was

Leeuwin was thrust into the international spotlight when Decanter Magazine gave its highest recommendation to the 1981 "Art Series" Chardonnay. The international accolades have continued and Leeuwin now exports all over the world.

Every vintage of Leeuwin Estate Art Series Chardonnay delivers an exceptional wine, and the consistency of this sheer quality has ensured it is considered as Australia's greatest white wine, and one of Australia's greatest wines - red or white.

#### "A LOVELY WINE INDEED - TO CELLAR OR ENJOY NOW".

#### **Leeuwin Art Series Cabernet Sauvignon**

Region: Margaret River Rating: 96/100 & &

Very deep red/purple colour. The bouquet is all about concentrated, perfectly-ripened cabernet fruit embellished with stylish oak. Cedar and berries. The wine is very intense and cast in an elegant but full-bodied style, with red berry fruit in abundance on the palate. The tannins are emphatic but fine and restrained, beautifully tailored. A lovely wine indeed - to cellar or enjoy now. Alcohol: 13.5%. Tasted: May 2018. Drink: 2018-2044. Price: \$93. Rating: 96/100.

Huon Hooke, The Real Review RRP \$93

\$65.95 PER BOTTLE

#### **Leeuwin Art Series** Riesling 2018

Region: Margaret River Rating: 91/100

Bright, lifted and perfumed, the nose exhibits lemon pith, cut lime, kaffir lime leaf, and lemongrass. Heightened jasmine flowers combined with mineral notes. The entry onto the palate is gentle and textural, delicate lemon and lime again feature throughout the palate, which is defined with a finely threaded acid structure

Kemenvs RRP \$23

\$21.95 PER BOTTLE

## IS THIS AUSTRALIA'S GREATEST **EVER WHITE?**

#### Leeuwin **Art Series** Chardonnay 2016

Region: Margaret River Rating: 99/100 & & &



The West Australian

how it opened up. Rating: 99+/100.





"GRACE AND POWER", JANES HALLIDAY

#### **Leeuwin Art Series** Shiraz 2014

Region: Margaret River Rating: 96/100 & &

Part hand-picked for whole bunches, part Selectiv machine-harvested for whole berries, matured in French oak (50% new) for 18 months. A wine that combines grace and power; fruit complexity with varietal expression and savoury tannins. Blackberry and plum fruits are the mainstays of the layered flavours, the darker notes worthy of the northern Rhone Valley. Rating: 96/100.

James Hallidav. Australian Wine Companion

\$36.95 PER BOTTLE

"AT EVERY TURN IT DRIPS WITH FLAVOUR" CAMPRELL MATTINSON

#### **Leeuwin Estate Prelude Vineyards Chardonnay** 2017

Region: Margaret River Rating: 93/100 &

Invariably a good wine to drink. This is as clean, fresh and straightforward as I can recall a Prelude Chardonnay to be. It's juicy with pear and sun-ripened peaches and at every turn it drips with flavour. There's a rub of creamy/cedary oak, and a welcome one, but fruit it is the main message here. Like it. Alcohol: 13.5%. Closure: screwcap. Drink: 2019-2024. Price: \$34. Rating: 91/100.

Campbell Mattinson, The Wine Front **RRP \$34** 

\$31.95 PER BOTTLE

"BOASTS RIVETING INTENSITY OF FLAVOUR". JAMES HALLIDAY

#### **Leeuwin Art Series** Sauvignon Blanc 2017

Region: Margaret River Rating: 93/100

This boasts riveting intensity of flavour, with guava-soused acidity, rapier-like and juicy, carrying this mid-weighted sauvignon long and far. Greengage, nettle, talc and Thai herbs, too.40% of the cuvee was fermented in French barriques, used twice prior. As importantly from a textural perspective, the wine was then kept on its lees for four-months before blending with the tank fermented component. This has conferred detail, mineral crunch and ample breadth. Alcohol: 13%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Dec 2017. Drink by: 2022. Rating:

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion **RRP \$30** 

S28.95 PER BOTTLE

# MARGARET RIVER MARGARET RIVER

With Leeuwin Estate Art Series being the jewel in the Margaret River chardonnay crown, it has to be said that the region's terroir has produced many other fine examples of the variety. With a multitude of sub-regional influences, clonal selection and winemaking philosophies, Margaret River chardonnay runs the gamut from lean, lower-oaked styles, to complex, creamy, full-bodied styles.

Here are some of the best Margaret River chardonnays we've tasted recently.





"AMAZING...LIKELY PRICE OF \$16-\$17 FROM The Larger Retailers", James Halliday

#### Evans & Tate Breathing Space Chardonnay 2017

Region: Margaret River Rating: 94/100 🗞 🏠

The first vintage of chardonnay under this label. Cool, cloudy juice delivered direct to 1yo French oak, wild ferment at ambient temperatures, thence to 10 degrees C storage with stirring until bottled. It's amazing how a wine of this provenance and quality has a likely price of \$16-17 from the larger retailers. Alcohol: 13.5%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Mar 2018. Price: \$19. Ratinq:94/100.

James Halliday, James Halliday's Top 100 RRP \$19

\$12.95 in any 12



(KSL 8242)

Region: Margaret River Rating: 93/100 🔊 🗞

"BEAUTIFULLY RIPE AND ELEGANTLY EXPRESSED"

Beautifully ripe and elegantly expressed, the inviting bouquet shows stone fruit, rockmelon, nougat and vanilla aromas, followed by a succulent palate that is pristine and finely textured. The wine offers elegant fruit intensity backed by creamy mouthfeel and bright acidity, leading to a persistent fine finish. At its best: now to 2021. Price: \$27. Rating: 93/100.

Sam Kim, *Wine Orbit* RRP \$27

\$10<sup>.95</sup>

"RICH AND INTENSE", HUON HOOKE

#### Flametree Chardonnay 2017

Region: Margaret River Rating: 93/100

Light to mid-yellow colour, with a subtly complex bouquet which possesses buttery, honeyed and toasted nut nuances. It's rich and intense in the mouth with a little firmness and a clean, refreshingly dry finish, mediumlong. Some roast hazelnut is starting up. A lovely complex, satisfying chardonnay. It's the real thing. Great value! Drink: 2018-2024. Price: \$29. Rating: 92/100.

Huon Hooke, The Real Review RRP \$29

\$19.95 in any 12 \$21.95 PER BOTTLE



"COMPLEXITY AND POWER ARE THE NAME OF The Game". James Halliday

#### **Driftwood Single Site Chardonnay 2017**

**Region**: Margaret River Rating: 97/100 & &

Estate blocks 20 and 21, whole-bunch pressed, wild-fermented in French oak, no mlf, matured for 8 months on lees before eight barrels selected for this wine. Here complexity and power are the name of the game, power both in depth and length. Fresh acidity is woven like a thread of silver through a tapestry, orange blossom, lemon curd, white peach and nectarine, pink grapefruit and toasty oak notes come and go. Alcohol: 13%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Jan 2018. Drink by: 2027. Price: \$60. Rating: 97/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP \$60

\$39.95 in any 12 \$41,95 PER BOTTLE



ONE OF THE RISING STARS OF MARGARET RIVER CHARDONNAY

#### McHenry Hohnen Rocky Road Chardonnay 2017

Region: Margaret River Rating: 94/100 🗞 🏠

One of the rising stars of Margaret River Chardonnay. A lifted bouquet of ripe stone fruit with underlying grapefruit notes leaps from the glass to make a statement about fruit purity. A fresh palate opens with ripe peach and nectarine with hints of bright grapefruit. With subtle oak influence the palate is framed with fresh lemon infused acidity that gives line and length. Will improve for a few years but doubt you will be able to keep your hands off it.

Kemenys RRP \$25

\$17.95 in any 12 \$19.95 PER BOTTLE



"A COMPLEX AND STYLISH WINE", HUON HOOKE

#### Flametree SRS Wallcliffe Chardonnay 2017

Region: Margaret River Rating: 96/100 🗞 🏠

This has powerful aromas of lime and lemon overlaid with smoky sulfides and toasty oak. It's rich and intense in the mouth, medium to full-bodied and driving, with tight line and superior length. A complex and stylish wine with refinement, penetration and persistence. Alcohol: 13%. Date tasted: 26 Oct 2018. Drink: 2018 - 2028. Price: \$65. Rating: 96/100.

Huon Hooke, huonhooke.com RRP \$65

\$**52.95** in any 12 \$56.95 PER BOTTLE





ACCESS TO SOME OF THE VERY BEST PINOT VINEYARDS IN THE REGION

#### **Hidden Label Yarra Valley Pinot Noir 2017** (KHL 5917)

Region: Yarra Valley Rating: 94/100

Made by an iconic family-owned Yarra Valley producer. Their prolific award-winning winemaker is a pinot noir obsessive and is fortunate to have access to some of the very best pinot vinevards in the region. This wine has the signature pinot aromas of dark and red fruits, savoury earthy notes and subtle spice. Beautifully balanced sweet and sour cherry and plum flavours with savoury elements of spicy oak. undergrowth and game, complemented by velvety tannins and fresh acidity.

Kemenys Sells for up to \$23 under its own

\$15.00 PER BOTTLE

TROPHY, 'BEST ROSE', 2018 ALTERNATIVE **VARIETY WINE SHOW** 

#### **Hidden Label Yarra** Valley Nebbiolo Rosé 2018 (KHL 4619)

Region: Yarra Valley Rating: 95/100

Made by one of the Yarra Valley's top family-owned wineries, this deliciously pale-salmon coloured, bone-dry rosé has already won three trophies, including the trophy for 'Best Rosé' at the 2018 Alternative Variety Wine Show, Always innovative, this producer has used the Italian grape variety, nebbiolo, resulting in exotic aromas of red berry, rose blossom and baking spices. Flavours are of tangy red cherry and fresh apple, some savoury herbal nuances, and tightly wound with keen acidity and lovely texture. A brilliant food wine.

Kemenys Sells for up to \$25 under its own

\$16.00 PER BOTTLE

"CRYSTAL CLEAR VARIETAL EXPRESSION". JAMES HALLIDAY

#### **Helen's Hill Estate Long Walk Pinot Noir** 2016

Region: Yarra Valley Rating: 95/100 & &

A mix of clones, Selectiv-harvested, open-fermented, matured in French oak (25% new) for 11 months. This is a very good wine from a vintage that ripened grapes of all varieties very quickly. Crystal clear varietal expression of cherries and spices that immediately announce their quality, the palate going further with a freshness and intensity of red fruit flavours, silky tannins and integrated quality oak the ribbon to seal the parcel. Alcohol: 12.8%. Closure: screwcap, Date tasted; Mar 2018, Drink by: 2029. Price: \$35. Rating: 95/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion

\$24.95 PER BOTTLE

"MAD VALUE AT THOSE DOLLARS". ANDREW GRAHAM

#### **Rouleur Pinot Noir** 2017

Region: Yarra Valley Rating: 95/100 🌢 🦫

It's a beauty. I've tried this twice now and it just gets better. From Gladysdale and Macclesfield, it's a perfect illustration of the limpid freshness and vitality that characterises '17 Yarra Pinot. Vibrant raspberry fruit aplenty in a light and pure mode, the flavours suggest more ripeness than the modest alcohol. with a character that Matt describes as ginger (and I like), 30% whole bunches in one parcel which helps give this some drive and tannins to finish. Real tension and lovely bright red fruit. A win. Would I buy it? Mad value at those dollars. I've had many a \$50 Yarra Pinot that sits behind this wine. Buy. Alcohol: 12.9%. Best drinking: Now or up to five years time. Rating: 18.5/20.

Andrew Graham, ozwinereviews.com

\$29.95 PER BOTTLE



#### Santolin Yarraland **Chardonnay 2015**

Region: Yarra Valley Rating: 95/100 🏠

Apart from its single vineyard status in the heart of the Yarra Valley floor (and closest to the Melbourne metro boundary), the slightly higher alcohol here seems to provide a clearer voice, with stone fruit in the lead, grapefruit providing a citrussy bite to the acidity. The one puzzle is how this was picked in early March, the same time as Willowlake in the Upper Yarra, Alcohol: 13,7%, Date tasted: Mar 2016. Drink by: 2023. Price: \$40. Rating: 94/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion **RRP \$40** 



Inspired by the Little Yarra River that flows nearby, this former deer farm was planted to 3 acres of Pinot Noir and Chardonnay in 2009. The vineyards are herbicide-free and meticulously hand-tended. The vines are now responsible for producing some of Australia's finest wines.

"CRACKING CHARDONNAY", CAMPBELL MATTINSON

#### Little Yarra Chardonnav 2017

Region: Yarra Valley Rating: 96/100 & &

Cracking chardonnay. Fruity, flinty, funky and pure. Pear, grapefruit and white peach for the most part, plenty of flesh and flavour, before matchstick and creamy/leesy characters take hold on the finish. Announces itself from the outset and keeps the quality coming. Alcohol: 13.2%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: April 19. Drink: 2019-2026. Price: \$40. Rating: 94/100.

Campbell Mattinson, The Wine Front **RRP \$40** 

\$31.95 PER BOTTLE

place to grow great pinot noir and chardonnay. The multitude of trophies

and medals at domestic and international wine shows has vindicated

his choice of region, particularly with pinot noir and chardonnay.

#### **Giant Steps Yarra Valley Chardonnay 2018**

Region: Yarra Valley Rating: 95/100 &

Giant Steps wines but delivers a wickedly of yummo chardonnay with enough pep and vigour (and faint salted nutty savouriness) to blast off on those warm, baking summer days. That aside, there's spring to texture, light juiciness, a pucker followed by mouthwatering refreshment to close. No brainer for quality, bright, quietly complex but wholly guzzle-worthy chardonnay. Alcohol: 12%. Tasted: Nov 2018, Drink: 2018-2025, Price:

Mike Rennie RRP \$35

GIANT STEPS

CHARDONNAY

GIANT STEPS

VALLEY

PINOT NOIR

\$31.95 PER BOTTLE

HUON HOOKE

#### **Giant Steps Yarra Valley Pinot Noir 2018**

Region: Yarra Valley Rating: 96/100 & &

wonderfully fragrant, aromatic nose of spicy red and dark cherry. There's a subtle hint of Campari in the aroma and aftertaste which comes from the whole-berry and whole-bunch fermenting techniques. It's light to medium-bodied yet very intense, with penetrating flavour, line and length. The tannins are light and fine yet quite present. An utterly delicious wine and a great follow-up to the outstanding 2017. And like that wine, amazing value for money. The aromatics are quintessential Yarra Valley pinot noir. Alcohol: 13.5%, Tasted: Nov 2018, Drink: 2018-2028, Price:

Huon Hooke, The Real Review RRP \$35





The Wine Front

#### "VERY INTENSE, WITH PENETRATING FLAVOUR",

Light to medium, bright red/purple colour, with a \$35. Rating: 94/100.

\$31.95 PER BOTTLE



After pioneering wine production in the upper Yarra Valley, Oakridge, today, is a prolific award-winning winery and an internationally recognised name. A family-owned winery, Oakridge was founded in 1978, and today, under the guidance of highly-acclaimed winemaker Dave Bicknell, they produce a dazzling array of the Yarra Valley's finest wines.

> SPECIAL RELEASE TO MARK THE OAKRIDGE **AUTH ANNIVERSARY**

#### Oakridge Original **Vineyard Cabernet** Sauvignon 2017

Region: Yarra Valley Rating: 98/100 & &

Medium to deep red/purple colour with a bright, fresh, clean cabernet aroma of sweet cassis and background cedar. The wine is medium to full-bodied, with restrained but glorious flavour, and is slightly closed. It has a tight, firm palate, but reveals more and more blackberry, blackcurrant cabernet character as it airs in the glass. It's elegant and texturally refined. A beautiful cabernet with a big future. It demands patience. (Fruit is off the original Oakridge vineyard at Seville, to mark the Oakridge 40th anniversary). Drink: 2021-2039. Price: \$62. Rating: 97/100

Huon Hooke, The Real Review RRP S62

\$53.95 PER BOTTLE

"MARRIES ELEGANCE WITH POWER", JAMES SUCKLING

#### Oakridge Henk Vineyard Pinot Noir 2017

Region: Yarra Valley Rating: 95/100 & &

Aromas are in the cool red-cherry and fragrant zone with crushed roses and violets. Some fresh sappy notes of undergrowth, too. The palate has a long, refined and succulent mouthfeel, which really marries elegance with power. Rating: 95/100.

James Suckling, jamessuckling.com

\$27.95 in any 12

\$29.95 PER BOTTLE







#### **Little Yarra Pinot Noir** 2017

Region: Yarra Valley Rating: 96/100 & &

2017 was a classic cool climate vintage, producing spectacularly structured varietal wines across the Yarra Valley. A lively and complex bouquet of red and dark berries, with earthy, spicy notes. Flavours are super-long and beautifully fresh, with red cherry, plum and blueberry with savoury elements of toasty spices and undergrowth. Great balance, and will cellar well over the short term. Yet another stunning Yarra pinot noir from this impressive little winery.

Kemenys **RRP \$40** 

\$31.95 PER BOTTLE



OAKRIDGE

# acksor FAMILY WINES

ONE OF THE WORLD'S **GREATEST CABERNETS** 

99/100 POINTS, ROBERT PARKER

#### **Lokoya Mount Veeder Cabernet** Sauvignon 2014

Region: Napa Valley Rating: 99/100 🗞 🗞

Usually my favorite in many vintages, the 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Mt. Veeder is the most backward of the 2014s and actually seems to require 4-5 years of bottle age. The wine has the telltale signs of Mt. Veeder - blackberry and blueberry fruit infused with

> considerable floral nuances. This wine has all that, then hits the palate with a cascade of glycerin, fruit extraction, and layers of blackberry and blueberry fruit. It is full-bodied and opulent, but finishes with some structure magnificent wine - full-throttle, extremely pure, and incredibly well-balanced. Give it 5-6 years of bottle age and drink it over the following three

> > decades. Rating: 99/100 Robert Parker Jr, The Wine Advocate

Founded by patriarch, Jess Jackson, bought a an old orchard in 1974 in Lake County to grow chardonnay grapes. In 1984 Kendall- Jackson (now Jackson Family Wines) sold their first wine - a chardonnay. It was an immediate success.

The Jackson family were pro-active in identifying regions (terroir) which most suited particular grape varieties, and subsequently expanded their vineyard holdings in California and then internationally, making stellar wines in France, Australia and South

Jackson Family Wines are custodians of a great winemaking heritage, and although still a young company, they employ traditional growing and winemaking methods, whilst implementing technology to ensure sustainable and healthy vineyard ecosystems.

With a portfolio which includes some of the world's greatest wines. and boosted by diligent on-going family stewardship, Jackson Family Wines is in great shape for the future.

#### RICH AND GENEROUS

#### Silver Palm Cabernet Sauvignon 2014

Region: California Rating: 95/100 & &

Mainly sourced from the Mendocino vineyards in Northern California, this has ripe dark berry aromas with a little chocolate and savoury olive characters. Flavours are rich and generous, starring smooth dark cherry and plum, a touch of herb and smoky oak. Sonoma county merlot added to give plushness to the palate and small amount of Cabernet Franc for spice and to round out the finish. Nice food wine, especially with lamb dishes.

Kemenvs **RRP \$40** 

\$26.95 PER BOTTLE



#### "LOVELY", MIKE BENNIE

#### La Crema Monterev **Chardonnay 2015**

Region: Monterey Rating: 94/100

Rich bouquet of ripe stone fruit, faint melon, some honey and toastiness, generous but not overwhelming. Ample in the palate but with good control, some light nuttiness and toasty character meshed to fresh, rich stone fruit flavours and a light saline character. Powerful wine, done well, and has freshness on its side. Lovely, Alcohol: 13.5%, Closure: Cork, Date tasted: Aug 2018. Price: \$45.Rating: 93/100.

Mike Bennie, The Wine Front **RRP \$45** 

\$34.95 PER BOTTLE

#### PLUSH AND RICHLY TEXTURED

#### La Crema Monterey Pinot **Noir 2016**

Region: Monterey Rating: 95/100 & &

Aromas of black plum, cherry, rhubarb and hints of earth and loam. Flavours of red plum, raspberry and blood orange are underpinned by distinctive river stone minerality and savoury umami character. Plush and richly textured with juicy yet balanced acidity and integrated toasty barrel spice. Beautiful with Chinese-style roast duck.

Kemenys RRP \$55

\$41.95 PER BOTTLE



#### VIBRANT FRUIT. OPULENCE AND MINERAL STRUCTURE

#### Stonestreet Estate **Chardonnay 2016**

Region: Sonoma Rating: 96/100 🌢 🌢

High above California's Alexander Valley in the Sonoma County sub-region stand the towering Mayacamas mountains, home to Stonestreet's rugged Alexander mountain estate - one the largest and one of the most extensive mountain vineyards in the world. Named in honour of the late Jess Stonestreet Jackson. It's a study in the balancing act between vibrant fruit, opulence and mineral structure. It's a class act.

Kemenvs **RRP \$85** 

\$79.95 PER BOTTLE



LOKOYA

Cabernet Saurignon

MOUNT VEEDER

NAPA VALLEY

# IMPORTS TASTING PANEL SELECTION

We're obsessive here at Kemenys, about the quality of the wines we offer. We receive scores of imported wines from suppliers each week, of wildly varying quality and price.

Our highly experienced tasting panel collaboratively and painstakingly assess all submissions in the search for great drinking at the best possible prices. We're confident that you will appreciate this attention to detail when you try the wines below.



#### BARGAIN ALERT

#### Altos Las Hormigas Malbec 2018

Region: Argentina Rating: 94/100 🗞 🗞

Bargain alert. The winemaker, Alberto Antonini, was voted the world's best winemaker by his peers in Decanter magazine. It was recently featured in the New York Times which said "violet-scented Argentine malbec is a good thing. Violet-scented Argentine malbec that is medium-bodied, unmarred by clumsy oak treatments or other cellar techniques, is a great thing. This bottle, from an excellent producer, is a superb value". Enough said.

Kemenys RRP \$25

\$14.45



#### THE VALUE IS OFF THE CHARTS

#### San Marzano Manoro Primitivo 2017

Region: Italy Rating: 93/100 🗞 🖒

Grapes grown in the famed southern Italian wine region of Puglia. The San Marzano vineyards are renowned for gnarled bush vine Primitivo. Classic Puglian Primitivo (aka Zinfandel) dripping with inky dark berry fruit, a hint of fennel and then firm tannins. The biggest core appeal of this Italian red - and Primitivo in general - is that it balances the famous black jelly bean concentration with a proper savouriness. Top 100 and blue-gold medal winner the Sydney International Wine Competition 2018. The value is off the charts.

Kemenys RRP \$22

\$14.95 in any 12 \$16.95 PER BOTTLE



#### AN EXTRAVAGANZA

#### Finca Rosal Old Vine Monastrell 2015

Region: Spain Rating: 93/100 🕹 🕹

Finca Rosal Monastrell is an extravaganza of lush blueberry aromas and blackberry flavors. Deep dark ruby red colour with violet rim. The aromas are intense fruity reminiscent of dark berries such as cherries, blueberries, blackberries with notes of wild herbs and toasted oak. On the palate the wine is rich and juicy with good concentration, sweetness and soft tannins.

Kemenys

\$15.95 in any 12 \$17.95 PER BOTTLE

#### RHONE TO THE BONE

#### Maison Bouachon Cotes du Rhone 2016

Region: France Rating: 94/100 🖒 🖒

A beautifully bright and juicy Cotes du Rhone with a classically firm backbone. Seductive aromas of red and dark berries, florals and some savoury meaty notes. The flavours are so morish. Velvety plum, cherry and raspberry with savoury charcuterie, dried herb andspice. Finishes long and aromatic. Drinkability factor is through the roof!

Kemenys RRP \$25

\$16.95 in any 12 \$18.95 PER BOTTLE



#### Fat Bastard Chardonnay 2016

Region: Sonoma USA Rating: 93/100 🖒 🖒

What started as a glorious exclamation ("My God, it's a Fat Bastard!") from winemaker Thierry Boudinaud during a tasting in Southern France has become an international wine brand success story. Since that fateful day in the cellar, Fat Bastard has been irreverently producing full bodied Chardonnay. The fruit is from the Californian coast and the wine is ripe and full flavoured. Looking for a bigger style of chardy? This would hit the spot (and great value too).

Kemenys RRP \$17

\$13.95 in any 12 \$15.95 PER BOTTLE



# **NEW SOUTH WALES**

#### **HUNTER VALLEY**

The Hunter Valley is Australia's oldest wine region, going back some 180 years, specialising mainly in their traditional varieties of semillon, shiraz and chardonnay. The Hunter is a mix of long-standing, family-owned wineries, along with new, up and coming producers, following traditional methods, but often adding a modern angle.



"A LOT OF WINE FOR YOUR MONEY HERE" GARY WALSH

#### **Hidden Label Hunter** Valley Semillon 2017 (KHL 2712)

Region: Hunter Valley Rating: 94/100

All from the HVD vineyard I believe. I'm told 2017 was a very good vintage for Hunter Semillon too. Lemon barley, lemongrass, talc and ester perfume. There's a softness and roundness to the acidity here that's very appealing, which along with ample lemon/lime flavour and a delightful chalky texture, makes it immediately appealing. It's long too. A lot of wine for your money here. Alcohol: 11%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: May 17. Drink: 2017-2027+. Price: \$25. Rating: 94/100.

Gary Walsh. The Wine Front \$14.00 PER BOTTLE Sells for up to \$25 under its own label

# FIRST

\$19.95 PER BOTTLE

#### LIZ SILKMAN'S MIDAS TOUCH

#### **First Creek Shiraz** 2014

Region: Hunter Valley Rating: 94/100 🖒 🖒

First Creek (and their stablemate Silkman) are emerging as one of Hunter Valley's finest vineyards. First Creek and Silkman winemaker. Liz Silkman, has won the covered Hunter Valley Winemaker of the Year and has a midas touch for producing award winning wines. This is a beautiful Hunter Shiraz from the exceptional 2014 Hunter Valley vintage for reds. Typically Hunter medium bodied with balance throughout. Exceptional fruit flavour and savoury oak flow easily. Our patience has been rewarded and this is drinking beautifully. The price is also incredibly sharp.

Kemenys RRP \$35

#### HILLTOPS

In contrast to the Hunter Valley, the exciting Hilltops is a comparatively newly established NSW wine region situated near Young in the Murray- Darling Basin. Even though the first grape vines appeared in the 1860s, the first of the new wave of vineyards were planted in 1975, and the region has produced many major trophy-winners in a short period of time. The specialties are shiraz and cabernet sauvignon.



\$16.00 PER BOTTLE

FROM THE HILLTOPS FLAGSHIP WINERY

#### **Hidden Label Hilltops Cabernet** Sauvignon 2017 (KHL 2802)

Region: Hilltops Rating: 95/100

This producer is acknowledged as the flagship Hilltops winery, and one of the rising stars of top-end Australian wine. Ranked among the most prolific award-winners on the major Australian and international wine-show circuits, this winery has won over 90 medals and trophies since 2009. A James Halliday 5-star rated winery, they have crafted this classically structured cabernet sauvignon with a formidable austerity to the blackcurrant fruit and tannins. Drinking beautifully now and will further reward five years in the cellar. A must with rich red meat dishes.

Kemenys Sells for up to \$30 under its own label

#### ALL CLASS

#### 1960 Moppity Single **Vineyard Quarry Block Hilltops Shiraz**

Region: Hilltops Rating: 95/100 🖒 🏠

In 2004 the Brown family took over high quality well established (since 1973) cool climate vineyards in the emerging Hilltops region of NSW. Moppity is now the premier Hilltops producer and their endless avalanche of accolades and stellar reviews has heralded Hilltops arrival as a major Australian wine region. This superb single vineyard shiraz has powerful, concentrated flavours of blackberry plum, toasty oak and cool climate spice. The structure is impeccable with fresh acidity and waves of rolling tannin. All class. Only 500 dozen made.

PER BOTTLE

#### **TUMBARUMBA**

Tumbarumba is cool-climate, with vineyards planted at altitudes between 300 to 800 metres. First planted in 1982. it was targeted by major wine companies as a premium source of chardonnay and pinot noir for their up-market sparklings. It soon became clear that Tumbarumba chardonnay, in particular, was resulting in spectacular still wines as well.



\$19.00 PER BOTTLE

#### A BRILLIANT AND PURE EXPRESSION **Hidden Label** Reserve **Tumbarumba Chardonnay 2018** (KHL 8949)

Region: Tumbarumba Rating: 96/100

Tumbarumba is the coolest viticultural region in Australia with growing reputation for producing some of Australia's best chardonnay. Under its original label this is the rising star of the region. A brilliant and pure expression of modern Australian chardonnay. Fresh aromas of zesty citrus and stone fruit, some flinty notes and nutty oak. Sleek, juicy nectarine and grapefruit flavours, some pear, baking spices and a delicious mineral texture. Fresh, crunchy acidity and long lasting on the finish. Supple, stylish chardonnay.

Kemenvs Sells for up to \$35 under its own

#### "EVERYTHING FALLS INTO PLACE". JAMES HALLIDAY



Penfolds Bin 311 **Chardonnay 2015** 

Region: Tumbarumba Rating: 95/100 🖒 🖒

Intense grapefruit/white peach/ melon aromas and flavours drive through the palate in a chariot of natural acidity, making French oak an incidental extra. When Tumbarumba has a good (ie drv) vintage, everything falls into place. Alcohol: 13.5%. Date tasted: Sep 2016. Drink by: 2025. Price: \$50. Rating: 95/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP \$50

\$39.95 PER BOTTLE



## and the CANBERRA REGION

#### **ROBERT STEIN WINES**

Jacob Stein, chief winemaker at Robert Stein Winery, is the third generation of the Stein family to be winemaker since the Vineyard was established in 1976 by his grandfather Robert 'Bob' Stein, He worked vintages in Germany, Italy, Canada, Western Australia and Victoria as he followed vintages from Southern Hemisphere to Northern Hemisphere. Mudgee is a famous shiraz region but it was while working the long vintages in Germany that Jacob discovered a real passion for riesling. This riesling is the finest in NSW and one of the best in Australia.

> TROPHY, 'BEST RIESLING', AUSTRALIAN SINGLE VINEYARD WINE SHOW 2018

Region: Mudgee

A pure, fragrant riesling with excellent aromatic appeal. Ripe lemon, lime zest and a little green apple. The palate is intense and long with a fine core of acidity. A great drink in its youth though it will evolve more depth and complexity with time in the cellar. Drink: 2019 - 2025.

Toni Paterson MW.

#### **Robert Stein Dry**

Rieslina 2018

Rating: 96/100 🗞 🗞

Price: \$30. Rating: 95/100.

The Real Review **RRP \$30** 

#### THE BEST ROWS OF THE BEST BLOCKS

#### **Robert Stein the**

The colour is very deep and bright and youthful; the bouquet gloriously complex with smoky, spicy dark berry and cherry aromas, while the wine is not overly big on the palate but has a real touch of elegance. It's not a blockbuster. The tannins and acidity have been beautifully managed and the wine is seamless and delicious. An outstanding development in Mudgee shiraz. (A best rows of the best blocks on the Estate, says Jacob Stein), Closure: \$80. Rating: 97/100.

**RRP \$80** 

#### **NICK O'LEARY WINES**



Nick O'Leary is establishing himself as one of the Canberra District's rising stars, with a focus on delicate, tense rieslings, and fine, elegant shiraz. The wines clearly express the unique terroir of the Canberra region and have accumulated great critical acclaim and show success. As Mike Bennie says - "Nick O'Leary is quietly going about his Canberra District-centric production with aplomb. He's hooking up with good vinevards, keeping his winemaking simple to get the best expression of fruit and keen on focussing his attention on Canberra District's 'best' varieties."

#### COFFIN BAY OYSTERS PLEASE

#### **Nick O'Leary** Riesling 2018

Region: Canberra Rating: 95/100 🖒 🏠

Nick O'Leary makes the most of the long, slow growing season in this Canberra district riesling, and confirms his status as a winemaker to watch. The palate is generous with a powerful mix of Granny Smith apple and freshly squeezed lime. The mouth-watering natural acidity leads to a pristine palate of balance and length. A versatile wine that will complement a variety of cuisines particularly Asian cuisine and fresh seafood.

Kemenys RRP \$25



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**NICK SPENCER WINES** 

Nick Spencer is a Canberra-based winery utilising

areas such as Gundagai and Tumbarumba. He has

extensive experience making wines all over the world for

more than two decades, as well as making great wines for

other Australian producers, most notably the 2009 Jimmy

all that experience has been channelled into wines which

express his undivided vision - and the wines are brilliant.

Watson Trophy winner. Now, as the owner of his own winery,

KUDOS TO NICK

fruit from the local vineyards as well as close-by

#### **Nick Spencer Gundagai Dry Red**

NICK SPENCER

Region: Gundagai Rating: 96/100 🖒 🖒

Sourced from two mature vineyards located on rich volcanic red soils just south of the township of Gundagai. An exquisite blend of 58% shiraz, 31% touriga, 6.5% tempranillo and 4.5% cabernet sauvignon, James Halliday has described this as "a truly exceptional wine in conception and execution". It has a remarkable lifted floral nose, with bright blue fruits, violets and spice. Spectacular length. It is clearly a quality red with so much interest given the varieties and region. Kudos to Nick.

\$26.95 PER BOTTLE

### SCINTILLATING CHARDONNAY

Kemenys RRP \$35

#### **Nick Spencer Tumbarumba Chardonnay 2018**

Region: Tumbarumba Rating: 96/100 🗞 🏠

Thirty year old vines nested at the bottom of the valley in Tumbarumba. Beautiful balance between power and restraint, complexity and finesse. Displays green apple and white peach aromas with a hint of slate or crushed rock. The palate is vibrant with restrained power and bright apple and citrus fruit. Barrel fermentation and maturation in old and new French oak has added a subtle complexity and length without overpowering the wine. Scintillating Chardonnay.

Kemenvs **RRP \$40** 

#### **Nick O'Leary Shiraz**

Region: Canberra Rating: 95/100 🖒 🖒

Canberra district shiraz is unique, with its elegance, pepper spice, florals and natural acidity creating great shiraz. Nick O'Leary is acknowledged as one of the brightest talents in the region and this wine shows exactly why. An elegant fragrance of red-fruits. dusted spice and lifted white pepper. The palate brims with dark berry fruits and delivers a silky textured mouth feel which finishes with long fine tannins. This wine has been made in minimum quantities. So get in quick. It's a bargain too.

Kemenys RRP \$30



\$26.95 PER BOTTLE



Huon Hooke, huonhooke.com

\$29.95 PER BOTTLE





#### "CONSIDERABLE LENGTH", JAMES HALLIDAY

#### **Marchand & Burch Villages Chardonnay** 2016

Region: Great Southern Rating: 93/100 &

From the Burch Family Mount Barrow Vineyard at Mount Barker, predominantly Dijon clones 76, 95, 96 and 277, each separately vinified. Hand-picked and sorted, cooled, whole bunchpressed, wild-fermented in 50/50% used French oak and tank, matured for 9 months, part of each taken through mlf. The palate takes its time, minerally grapefruit juice and zest driving the considerable length. Alcohol: 13%. Date tasted: Feb 2017. Drink by: 2026. Price: \$37. Rating: 94/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP \$37

\$31.95 PER BOTTLE



#### "MOUTHWATERING". JAMES HALLIDAY

#### Capel Vale Whispering Hill Riesling 2017

Region: Great Southern Rating: 95/100 & &

Very well handled high quality fruit gets the wine off to a top notch start. It is tightly structured, minerally acidity doing its part, counterintuitively mouthwatering. Lime, Granny Smith apple and Meyer lemon are bound together for life thanks to the overall balance of the wine. Alcohol: 12.5%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Feb 2018. Drink by: 2032. Price: \$32. Rating: 95/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP \$32

**\$24.95 PER BOTTLE** 



#### **GREAT VALUE GREAT SOUTHERN**

#### **West Cape Howe Shiraz** 2017

Region: Frankland River Rating: 95/100 & &

The spicy black cherry/berry aromas of the bouquet show the way for the palate to follow. It does just that, adding its own character to the fine, persistent tannins, part from fruit, part the new and used French oak in which this estate-grown wine was matured. Alcohol: 14%. Drink to: 2037. Price: \$22. Rating: 95/100.

James Halliday, James Halliday's Top 100 RRP \$22

\$19.95 PER BOTTLE



#### FROM ONE OF GREAT SOUTHERN'S PIONEERS

#### **Hidden Label Reserve Great Southern Riesling** 2016 (KHL 2203)

Region: Great Southern Rating: 95/100

This winery was one of the original pioneers to champion the cool climate Great Southern region. Today this riesling under its maker's label has grown to become one of the most collected riesling's in Australia. It is long and slatey. The lively citrus zest gives great dimension to the bouquet. The palate is textured with a soft, talcy mineral note and driven by a long fine line of citrus acidity. Will cellar for a decade or two.

Kemenvs

Sells for up to \$34 under its own label

\$16.00 in any in any 12

\$18.00 PER BOTTLE



#### "SUPPLE AND RICH", JAMES HALLIDAY

#### **Secret Label Great Southern Cabernet** Sauvignon 2015 (KSL 3838)

Region: Great Southern Rating: 95/100 & &

Young cabernet sauvignon can be prickly and hard to handle, but that is only one face of the variety, this wine with a thoroughly inviting bouquet that is no false dawn. The palate is supple and rich, with a mix of blackcurrant and blueberry fruit, bay leaf and spice, and earthy tannins that simply reaffirm its varietal expression. Alcohol: 14%. Date tasted: Feb 2017. Drink by: 2040. Price: \$60. Rating: 95/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP \$60

PER BOTTLE



#### "IMMACULATE BALANCE AND MOUTHFEEL", JAMES HALLIDAY

#### **Secret Label Great Southern Shiraz 2015** (KSL 3863)

Region: Great Southern Rating: 96/100 & &

The bouquet and palate are in perfect harmony; gently warm spices are sewn through fragrant aromas and the intense, yet only medium-bodied, palate. There are no challenges here, thanks to the immaculate balance and mouthfeel of its panoply of forest fruits. Just sit back and enjoy the ride. Alcohol: 14.5%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Feb 2018. Drink by: 2041. Price: \$60. Rating: 96/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP \$60

PER BOTTLE

The Great Southern lies along the Southern Ocean on Western Australia's far south coast. It is made up of five subregions - Albany, Denmark, Frankland River, Mount Barker and Porongurup, all of which have unique climatic and geographical influences, all contributing outstanding wines of many styles.

Shiraz, riesling and cabernet sauvignon and chardonnay are the principal varieties of Great Southern which display elegance and intensity created by the relatively cool maritime climate.



#### "SPECTACULARLY LIVELY AND FRESH", James Halliday

#### Willow Bridge Dragonfly Shiraz 2017

Region: Geographe Rating: 94/100 🗞 🏠

Willow Bridge has a long history of over-delivering in the context of the price/quality equation, this wine typical of that history. It is spectacularly lively and fresh, with fruits, spices and expertly played tannins to sustain its impact over the length of the long palate. Play with the aftertaste and you'll be convinced. Closure: screwcap. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Sep 2018. Price: \$22. Drink by: 2037. Rating: 95/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP \$22

\$14.95

\$16.95 PER BOTTLE



#### "IT JUST FEELS EFFORTLESS", JAMES HALLIDAY

#### Dukes Magpie Hill Reserve Shiraz 2016

Region: Porongurup Rating: 96/100 & &

There's an energy and beauty to wines from the Great Southern generally and Porongurup specifically, this shiraz is an example of the latter, restrained and well-composed. It's a gentle, pretty wine with a delicate mix of florals, sweet red berries and plums, vanillin, musk and spice; the palate is medium-bodied at best with supple, soft tannins - it just feels effortless. Alcohol: 13.7%. Tasted: Jan 2018. Drink By: 2025. Price: \$35. Rating: 95/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP \$35

\$29.95 in any 12

\$32.95 PER BOTTLE

#### **HOUSE OF PLANTAGENET**

As a pioneer of the Great Southern region, Plantagenet's reputation is celebrated for its rich heritage, its expressive wines and family-owned sensibility. Founded in 1968 by Tony Smith, his first vintage in 1974 was so successful that he expanded plantings to include riesling, chardonnay and pinot noir.

Now owned by Lionel Samson & Son, Western Australia's oldest family-owned business, the winery is in great hands to continue its great heritage.



PLANTAGENET

#### "SUPER WINE". RAY JORDAN

#### Plantagenet Lancaster Shiraz 2016

Region: Mount Barker Rating: 96/100 & &

Outstanding follow-up to 2015. This one takes it up a notch. There's a finesse and effortless stylishness in here, with fragrant notes on the nose. But it is the palate that strikes as most impressive. Gravelly, grainy tannins supporting dark chocolate and plummy cherry characters with a dried herb and savouriness that is so appealing. Super wine. Cellar: 12 years. Rating; 96/100. Price: \$35



\$24.95 in any 12 \$26.95 PER BOTTLE



#### Plantagenet Three Lions Riesling 2017

Region: Mount Barker Rating: 94/100 & &

Out of the blocks fractionally more quickly than its Angevin sibling, the floral bouquet first up, the palate round, letting its waist expand with lemon and lime fruit. Alcohol: 12%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Jan 2018. Drink by: 2027. Price: \$23. Rating: 94/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP \$23

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Region: Great Southern Rating: 96/100 🔊 🖒

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Kemenys

\$19.60

PER BOTTLE

#### "POLISHED MOUNT BARKER RIESLING", TONI PATERSON MW

#### Howard Park Mount Barker Riesling 2017

Region: Mount Barker Rating: 96/100 🖒 🏠

The perfume leaps out of the glass of this polished Mount Barker riesling. Pure top notes of fresh lemon juice. The palate is refined and tailored with a defined core of acidity running the length of the wine. It has tension and persistence and will age well into the future. Date tasted: Sep 2017. Drink: 2017-2037. Price: \$33. Rating: 95/100.

Toni Paterson MW, The Real Review RRP \$33

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Rosé consumption is on the rise throughout the world. Of course, the French, having invented the style, have long been in the know about the drinkability and versatility of rose, and the rest of the world is now discovering its joys. If you were to nominate a spiritual home for rosé, it would have to be Provence, with its pale and dry but fruit driven gems.

Winemakers in Australia and New Zealand are now taking rosé production very seriously, and the majority of their rosés are in the Provencal style. Australians lap up this type of rose because it is suited perfectly to our climate and cuisine. Its refreshment factor and food-friendliness seal the deal for this great wine



#### "A COUP FOR TAHBILK". JAMES HALLIDAY

#### **Tahbilk Grenache** Mourvedre Rosé 2018

Region: Nagambie Lakes Rating: 96/100 & &

An estate-grown 60/40% blend - the 2017 won the trophy for Best Rosé at the at the Queensland Wine Show and a gold medal at Sydney. Its quality derives from its purity (a rare term for rose), balance and length, red fruits with a dusting of spice on the long, refreshingly dry palate. A coup for Tahbilk. Alcohol: 12.5%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Sep 2018. Drink by: 2022. Price: \$22. Rating: 96/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP \$22











#### BEST ROSÉ, SYDNEY ROYAL WINE SHOW 2018

#### **Longview Nebbiolo** Rosato 2018

Region: Adelaide Hills **Rating**: 96/100 & &

Longview is responsible for some of the Adelaide Hills' earliest plantings of nebbiolo. Their Nebbiolo Rosato has established a reputation as one of Australia's best. The 2018 vintage was awarded the Kemenys Trophy for Best Rosé at the 2018 Sydney Royal Wine Show, emulating the show success of the 2017 vintage. This is no ordinary, mainstream rosé, it's pale and very dry with delicate summer berry flavours and plenty of mineral texture and packing nebbiolo's typical tannic grip. Its delicious savoury edginess is so different to most rosés and makes it so food friendly, with anything from antipasto to classic Italian yeal dishes.

Kemenys RRP \$26

#### **BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND**

#### **Koonara Emily May Pinot Noir Rosé 2018**

Region: Coonawarra Rating: 95/100 & &

Back by popular demand. The 2017 vintage was a hit and winner of multiple trophies including Best Rose at the Sydney Royal Wine Show. The 2018 vintage has just been awarded a massive 97 points at the International Cool Climate Wine Show. A delicate but complex dry pinot noir rosé, with hints of Turkish delight and maraschino cherry and raspberry notes. An excellent choice that we have you coming back for more.

Kemenys **RRP \$26** 

\$18.95 PER BOTTLE

#### **OLDEST FAMILY-RUN WINERY IN** MCLAREN VALE

#### **Kay Brothers Grenache Rosé 2018**

Region: McLaren Vale Rating: 95/100 & &

Founded in the late 1800's, Kay Brothers are the oldest family-run winery in McLaren Vale and produce some of Australia's most collected reds. Production of their delicious grenache rosé is absolutely miniscule. The wine exhibits vibrant berry fruit, a touch of spice, along with great mineral texture, and is supported by crunchy acidity leading to a thirst-quenching, dry finish. Brilliant.

Kemenys **RRP \$22** 

\$19.95 PER BOTTLE

#### ONE OF AUSTRALIA'S MOST POPULAR ROSÉS

#### **Bird In Hand Pinot Rosé 2018**

Region: Adelaide Hills Rating: 95/100 & &

The Adelaide Hills and pinot noir are perfectly suited to produce quality rosé. Immediately appealing with its pale salmon hue. Delicate stawberry and cherry blossom aromas. Palate shows a mix of cherry, strawberries and ruby grapefruit with fruit sweetness balanced by crisp acidity with a long, clean finish. A lovely, refreshing rosé and not surprising that this is one of Australia's most popular roses.

Kemenys **RRP \$25** 

S19.95 PER BOTTLE

#### NEW ZEALAND'S ROSÉ HIT SENSATION

#### **Indian Summer Rosé** 2018

Region: Hawkes Bay Rating: 95/100 🖒 🖒

New Zealand's rosé hit sensation has arrived at Kemenys - first. This is the first time that Indian Summer has been available in Australia despite its meteoric rise to become one of the best-selling rosés across Asia. Waiana Estate, located in Hawkes Bay, only produce rosé and they are very good at it. Blended from pinot gris and merlot it is a dry, ultra-pale Provencal-style rosé boasting mountains of minerality. It is about as close to a Provencal rosé as you'll find outside of France. Try it and see what all the fuss is about. Great anywhere, anytime.

Kemenvs RRP \$25

**\$21.95 PER BOTTLE** 



# A NEW STAR IS BORN

After 15 years of experimentation, Laurent Perrier is replacing its non-vintage Champagne with Laurent Perrier La Cuvee Champagne NV. The scale of this undertaking by Laurent-Perrier is better understood by the fact its brut non-vintage is the fifth biggest selling champagne in the world. Launching a new champagne to replace the house style is an extremely rare event. The new La Cuvee spends an extra year ageing in the cellar, resulting in a more complex wine. No fewer than 100 different crus enter into the La Cuvee blend. Laurent-Perrier cellarmaster Michel Fauconnet says "La Cuvee allows us to turn up our style" which has always been chardonnay driven. La Cuvee has double the chardonnay content of the average champagne and it is noticeably fresher and purer, the higher chardonnay creating a nose with hints of fresh citrus. A new star has been born and we predict that La Cuvee will emerge as one of Australia's most popular champagnes.



"A SUPERB WINE", HUON HOOKE

#### Laurent-Perrier La Cuvée Champagne NV

Region: Champagne Rating: 96/100 🖒 🖒

This replaces the old Laurent-Perrier Brut. It had 4 years on lees instead of 3, has more chardonnay - 55% - and lower dosage. No taille, only cuvee, hence the name. A superb wine, outstanding for such a large maker and for the 'workhorse' wine of such a big house. Very creamy. Hints of peach and toast. A lovely soft, rich, full-flavoured but also refined wine.

Huon Hooke, The Real Review RRP \$90

#### **CHAMPAGNES** AND SPARKLING



WINNER OF 'THE BEST AUSTRALIAN BLANC DE BLANCS' At the world's premier sparkling show

#### Hidden Label Pyrenees Blanc de Blancs 2013 (KHL 1325)

Region: Pyrenees Rating: 94/100

Gold medals at 2017 Queensland
Royal Wine Show and 2017 Melbourne
International Wine Competition were
just the beginning. Winner of the Best
Australian Blanc de Blancs at the world's
premier sparkling show - the Champagne
& Sparkling World Wine Championships
2018. Using fruit sourced from the
best parcels of cool-climate Victorian
Chardonnay and following the traditional
method, the 100% Chardonnay sparkling
is classic in nature with notes of subtle
peach and lemon. The finish is textural and
engaging, yet with bold natural acidity.
Great aperitif.

Kemenys Sells for up to \$26 under its own label



#### MEET GEORG JENSEN

#### Georg Jensen Hallmark Cuvee by Heemskerk NV

Region: Tasmania Rating: 96/100 & &

The Georg Jensen Hallmark Cuvee is a collaboration between the renowned Danish design house, Georg Jensen, and cool climate Heemskerk wines. The quality craftsmanship and timeless aesthetic of Georg Jensen has been captured in every element of the Hallmark Cuvee, from its wine style to its outer presentation. Presented with an elegantly crafted closure that can be used as a bottle stopper, enabling it to be resealed and refrigerated for up to two days. Presentation aside it is what in the bottle that counts and this doesn't disappoint. A vibrant Tassie sparkling showing complexity of lees age, intensity and a long carry.

Kemenys RRP \$39.99



Veuve Clicquot is the second-largest Champagne producer, accounting for more than 18 million bottles of its pinot noir-dominant wines. About 15 million of those bottles are of the much-loved Veuve Clicquot Yellow Label Brut NV. The quality of 'Yellow Label' is maintains its consistency, year in, year out which keeps its loyal army of followers coming back for more.

The house's vintage wines are very highly regarded by critics, and the 2008 is thought to be one of Veuve Clicquot's greatest vintages. It is still in its youth, with decades of development to come.



"HAS GREAT FINESSE AND LENGTH", James Halliday

#### Veuve Clicquot Yellow Label Brut NV

Region: Champagne Rating: 95/100

Chef de Cave Dominic Demarville has a vision splendid for Veuve NV: to lift it to the very top of the quality tree by only declaring two vintage years in every decade, thus deliberately pushing more high quality wine into the NV. There is still a transition going on, and we are yet to see how he has a crystal ball to guess which two years he should select for vintage. But this blend of around 50% pinot noir, 30% chardonnay and 20% pinot meunier has a palette of untoldnumbers of wines, selecting anything up to 500 in the Veuve iigsaw puzzle. The wine has great finesse and length, with a most attractive mix of fruit (dominant) and brioche, the lingering finish with a neatly judged phenolic grip that draws out the aftertaste. Serious stuff. Alcohol: 12%. Rating:

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP \$90



"THE CLEAR BARGAIN OF ALL THE CHAMPAGNES TASTED", JAMES HALLIDAY

#### Veuve Clicquot Vintage 2008

Region: Champagne Rating: 97/100 🖒 🏠

The clear bargain of all the champagnes tasted this year, reflecting the great vintage and the vinification revolution by chief winemaker Dominique Demarville. Brioche, nutty oak and peach blossom all whisper in the spring breeze of the bouquet before the stone and citrus fruits of the vibrant palate rise to a crescendo on the finish. Alcohol: 12%. Closure: cork. Rating: 96/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP \$140



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#### **Hidden Label Hilltops Cabernet** Sauvignon 2017 (KHL 2802)

Region: Hilltops Rating: 95/100

This producer is acknowledged as the flagship Hilltops winery, and one of the rising stars of top-end Australian wine. Ranked among the most prolific award-winners on the major Australian and international wine-show circuits, this winery has won over 90 medals and trophies since 2009. A James Halliday 5-star rated winery, they have crafted this classically structured cabernet sauvignon with a formidable austerity to the blackcurrant fruit and tannins. Drinking beautifully now and will further reward five years in the cellar. A must with rich red meat dishes.

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#### **Hidden Label McLaren Vale Shiraz Grenache** 2017 (KHL 2602)

Region: McLaren Vale Rating: 94/100

The winery is a leader in organic and biodynamic viticulture with fruit for all wines sourced from their estate vineyards in McLaren Vale. Under its makers label this Shiraz Grenache is one of Australia's best known red blends. As always the flavours are fruit forward and generous, with ripe plum, blackberry, savoury spice and super-fine tannins. Outstanding balance and structure make this so very drinkable right now. Will easily last a decade in the cellar, but why bother? Delicious.

Kemenys Sells for up to \$25 under its own label



#### **Hidden Label Reserve Barossa** Shiraz 2016 (KHL 7722)

Region: Barossa Valley Rating: 95/100

One of the Barossa Valley's best family owned wineries. Their flagship shiraz is one of Australia's most highly regarded icon wines. This is their Estate Shiraz which is sourced from their three vineyards with some vines as old as 100 years. Luscious shiraz. It is full bodied and rich. The palate flavours of mocha and dark chocolate are deep and lasting. Approachable now but will age well over many decades. Classic Barossa Shiraz.

Kemenys Sells for up to \$34 under its own label



#### **Hidden Label Marlborough Pinot Gris 2017** (KHL 3468)

Region: Marlborough Rating: 93/100

We predicted some time ago that the very determined wine industry legend behind this winery and the drive to become the world's most sustainable wine producer would lead them to becoming New Zealand's most successful wine brand. Countless accolades over recent times have reinforced this hunch. Pristine pinot gris grapes from Marlborough's cool Awatere sub-region has delivered classic honeysuckle and ripe, spiced pear aromas and flavours, with a fine stony mineral texture. Perfect with barbequed chicken or seafood.

Kemenys Sells for up to \$20 under its



#### **Hidden Label Special Reserve Hunter Valley Chardonnay 2017** (KHL 4335)

Region: Hunter Valley Rating: 97/100

This intensely complex chardonnay was the result of a perfect Hunter Valley vintage and fastidious grape selection. Made by one of the Hunter Valley's most highly acclaimed young winemakers, this glorious white shows extraordinary depth and purity, with aromas and flavours of ripe peach, citrus, vanilla and cashews. Silky smooth and creamy, with outstanding freshness and perfect acidity. Has the depth and concentration to cellar for over a decade. Remarkable chardonnay.

Kemenys Sells for up to \$60 under its own label



#### **Hidden Label Hunter Valley** Semillon 2017 (KHL 2712)

Region: Hunter Valley Rating: 94/100

All from the HVD vineyard I believe. I'm told 2017 was a very good vintage for Hunter Semillon too. Lemon barley, lemongrass, talc and ester perfume. There's a softness and roundness to the acidity here that's very appealing, which along with ample lemon/lime flavour and a delightful chalky texture, makes it immediately appealing. It's long too. A lot of wine for your money here. Alcohol: 11%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: May 17. Drink: 2017-2027+. Price: \$25. Rating: 94/100.

Gary Walsh, The Winefront Sells for up to \$25 under its own label

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#### **Willow Bridge Dragonfly Shiraz** 2017

Region: Geographe Rating: 94/100 🗞 🗞

Willow Bridge has a long history of over-delivering in the context of the price/quality equation, this wine typical of that history. It is spectacularly lively and fresh, with fruits, spices and expertly played tannins to sustain its impact over the length of the long palate. Play with the aftertaste and you'll be convinced. Closure: screwcap. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Sep 2018. Price: \$22. Drink by: 2037. Rating: 95/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP \$22



#### **Bleasdale Mulberry Tree** Cabernet Sauvignon 2016

Region: Langhorne Creek Rating: 94/100 & &

Made with the same care as a red wine four times its price. the quality embarrassingly good. It's an elegant wine shouting its variety and place from the rooftops, its vibrantly fresh blackcurrant/cassis heart pumping furiously. Matured in real French oak barrels (15% new), mlf ditto - the list goes on and on, much based upon its 14% alcohol. Why can't so many SA winemakers get the message? Alcohol: 14%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Jan 2018. Drink by: 2031. Price: \$20. Rating: 94/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion **RRP \$20** 



#### **Serafino Shiraz**

Region: McLaren Vale Rating: 95/100 🖒 🏠

Estate-grown, made from the best rows of the best blocks, ripened quickly and early by the hot, dry vintage. Given this background it is an impressive wine, with blackberry, Cherry Ripe, chocolate and licorice flavours, the shape of the wine in the mouth the most admirable. Alcohol: 14.5% Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Sep 2017. Drink to: 2029. Price: \$28. Rating: 94/100

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion **RRP \$28** 



#### **Plantagenet Three Lions Riesling** 2017

Region: Mount Barker Rating: 94/100 🗞 🗞

Out of the blocks fractionally more quickly than its Angevin sibling, the floral bouquet first up. the palate round, letting its waist expand with lemon and lime fruit. Alcohol: 12%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Jan 2018. Drink by: 2027. Price: \$23. Rating: 94/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion **RRP \$23** 



#### **McHenry Hohnen Rocky Road Chardonnay 2017**

Region: Margaret River Rating: 94/100 🗞 🗞

One of the rising stars of Margaret River Chardonnay. A lifted bouquet of ripe stone fruit with underlying grapefruit notes leaps from the glass to make a statement about fruit purity. A fresh palate opens with ripe peach and nectarine with hints of bright grapefruit. With subtle oak influence the palate is framed with fresh lemon infused acidity that gives line and length. Will improve for a few years but doubt you will be able to keep your hands off it.

Kemenys **RRP \$25** 



#### **Tyrrells Hunter Valley Semillon** 2017

Region: Hunter Valley Rating: 94/100 🗞 🗞

All from the HVD vineyard I believe. I'm told 2017 was a very good vintage for Hunter Semillon too. Lemon barley, lemongrass, talc and ester perfume. There's a softness and roundness to the acidity here that's very appealing, which along with ample lemon/lime flavour and a delightful chalky texture, makes it immediately appealing. It's long too. A lot of wine for your money here. Alcohol: 11%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: May 17. Drink: 2017-2027+. Price: \$25. Rating: 94/100.

Gary Walsh, The Winefront **RRP \$25** 



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#### **Jones Road Syrah** 2016

Region: Mornington Peninsula Rating: 96/100 🗞 🗞

James Halliday rated the prior 2015 vintage a whopping 97 points. 2016 was an excellent vintage and we are expecting an equally high score when the wine critic reviews are released. A real treat from Jones Road. It is deeply coloured and has a range of ripe dark berry and plum fruits with plenty of cool-climate pepper and spice. Tannins are fine and the finish is juicy, fresh and well balanced. It is approachable to drink now and will build further spice and savoury complexity if cellared for up to ten years.

**RRP \$38** 

#### **Teusner the Wark** Family Shiraz 2017

Region: Barossa Valley Rating: 95/100 🗞 🗞

Stories, past and present, form the tapestry of the generations who have grown grapes and made wine in the Barossa. They are the core of the many others, artists, chefs and many more, and Kim Teusner pays homage to one such, the Wark family, with this lovely wine redolent of blackberries, blackcurrant, licorice and tar, vet retains elegance. Alcohol: 14.5%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Sep 2018. Drink by: 2030. Price: \$30. Rating: 95/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion **RRP \$30** 

#### **Jim Brand Silent Partner Cabernet** Sauvignon 2015

Region: Coonawarra Rating: 95/100 & &

Deep red/purple colour and a vibrant blackberry, blackcurrant cabernet aroma, well backed with oak, which lacks the intensity of mint seen in earlier vintages. Firm tannins and lively acidity, while the concentration of flavour and extract is there to ensure balance. An impressive wine, and a step up for this label. It promises much for the future. Drink to: 2040. Price: \$36. Rating: 95/100.

Huon Hooke, The Real Review **RRP \$36** 

#### **Capel Vale Whispering Hill** Riesling 2017

Region: Great Southern Rating: 95/100 & &

Very well handled high quality fruit gets the wine off to a top notch start. It is tightly structured, minerally acidity doing its part, counterintuitively mouthwatering. Lime, Granny Smith apple and Meyer lemon are bound together for life thanks to the overall balance of the wine. Alcohol: 12.5%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Feb 2018. Drink by: 2032. Price: \$32. Rating: 95/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion **RRP \$32** 

#### **Tahbilk Museum** Release Marsanne 2011

Region: Nagambie Lakes Rating: 96/100 & &

The bright green-golden colour is marvellous; the bouquet and palate operate in perfect harmony with lime, lemon, lemon curd, honeysuckle and toast all on eloquent parade. A unique Australian classic with no contender in sight. Alcohol: 11.5%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Sep 2016. Drink by: 2025. Price: \$24. Rating: 95/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion **RRP \$24** 

#### **Mountadam Eden Valley Chardonnay** 2018

Region: Eden Valley Rating: 95/100 & &

A pioneer of cool climate chardonnay. The Mountadam Estate planted in the high country of the Eden Valley in 1972 is home to Australia's oldest cool climate chardonnay vineyards. Aromas of white peach, nectarine and nashi pear, the palate shows gentle grapefruit and oak. The style is elegant and refined. Eden Valley Chardonnay in top form.

Kemenvs RRP \$28

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#### Elderton Ode To Lorraine 2015

Region: Barossa Valley Rating: 96/100

A select barrel blend of each of the estate's Nurioopta-planted varieties, partially fermented in concrete and barrel with the addition of a judicious smattering of pressings, this is a complex jigsaw. Thankfully delicious given the effort, cabernet's voice rises uber alles with its potpourri of herbal berry notes and sagacious tannins, compressing the warm climate hedonism of the other parties into a nourishing whole. A rich phalanx of fruit and glossy structural attributes. Alcohol: 14.9%. Closure: screwcap. Drink by: 2037. Price: \$60. Rating:

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP \$60

#### Yabby Lake Single Vineyard Pinot Noir 2016

Region: Mornington Peninsula Rating: 96/100 🖒 🖒

Winner of two major trophies: Best Single Vineyard Dry Red at the National Wine Show of Australia 2017 and Best Pinot Noir (current vintage) at the Mornington Peninsula Vignerons Wine Show 2017. Just another feather in the cap for Yabby Lake winemaker Tom Carson who is recognised as one of Australia's finest winemakers. Super silky and generously proportioned, yet poised and refined. Drinking beautifully now but has James Halliday recently observed "gentle spices will grow over time, adding another dimension to an already compelling wine".

Kemenys RRP \$64

#### Kerrigan & Berry Shiraz 2015

Region: Frankland River Rating: 97/100 🖒 🖒

An ant with a magnifying glass might be able to read the humorous words on the back label, but I couldn't even get close. Regardless, the wine's colour is top stuff, bright yet deep, the bouquet offering so much you know for certain the palate will deliver black cherry + blackberry + licorice + spice + pepper + cedar + superb tannins to underwrite its ever so long future. Alcohol: 14.5%. Tasted: Sep 2017. Drink By: 2050. Price: \$40. Rating: 97/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion RRP \$40

#### McHenry Hohnen Hazel Vineyard Chardonnay 2016

Region: Margaret River Rating: 95/100 🖒 🖒

Light yellow hue, fresh and clean; the bouquet is cashew-nutty, creamy and lightly smoky, with some 'chicken coop' notes, becoming cleaner and more spicy with air. It's very fresh and vibrant with --intense lemon juice flavour, yet invested with delicious complexing notes that make it much more than a simple fruit wine. Lovely. Drink: 2017-2028. Closure: screwcap. Price: \$60. Rating: 95/100.

Huon Hooke, The Real Review RRP \$60

#### Henschke Julius Riesling 2017

Region: Eden Valley Rating: 96/100

Don't mind a bit of Julius Riesling. It is of course from the Eden Valley. It's just been released in time for this summer and for about 25 summers hence. Intensity is right up there. This explodes with pure riesling flavour. Lime, green apple, bath salts and limes leaves. Okay, florals too. It is 100% gorgeous right now. It extends electrically through the finish. It will take age as a certainty. Alcohol: 11.5%. Closure: screwcap. Drink: 2017-2027+. Price: \$45. Rating: 95/100.

Campbell Mattinson, The Winefront RRP \$45

#### Tyrrells Stevens Single Vineyard Semillon 2013

Region: Hunter Valley Rating: 96/100 🗞

Light to medium-straw colour with a dry-grass, dried herb aroma and a whiff of free sulfur. The wine is refined and restrained, with the palate starting to show very attractive toast. Delicious flavour; a classic semi-aged Hunter semillon of real class and finesse. Alcohol: 11%.

Tasted: Oct 2018. Drink: 2018-2025. Price: \$35. Rating: 96/100.

Huon Hooke, The Real Review RRP \$35

#### Reserve**mixed**dozen

2 bottles each of the red and white wines

\$360 PER DOZEN \$30 PER BOTTLE

NO. 74 98300

RRP \$608

**SAVE** 

40%

#### Reserve white dozen

4 bottles each of the white wines

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SAVE

35%

#### Reserve**red**dozen

4 bottles each of the red wines

\$360 PER DOZEI

NO. 74 98302

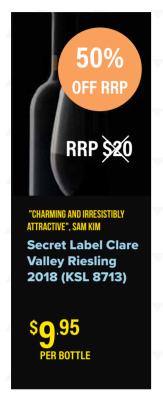
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Region: Clare Valley Rating: 95/100 🖒 🌢

It is fabulously expressed on the nose showing lemon peel, fresh apple, lime zest and blossom aromas, followed by a juicy palate that is vibrant and beautifully expressive. The wine is pristine and bright with youthful flavours, yet immediately approachable, backed by fine texture and crisp acidity. Charming and irresistibly attractive. At its best: now to 2028. Price: \$20. Rating: 95/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion Region: Clare Valley Rating: 95/100 🌢 🦫

Offering fruit power as well as refinement, this splendidly expressed shiraz shows mixed berry compote, dark plum, vanilla, cedar and warm spice aromas on the nose, followed by a wonderfully flavoursome palate that is fleshy and supple. The wine offers terrific fruit purity combined with gorgeous oak infusion, backed by beautifully integrated fine tannins. Seductively aromatic and immensely delicious. At its best: now to 2030. Price: \$25. Rating: 95/100.

Sam Kim, Wine Orbit Region: Hunter Valley Rating: 95/100 🗞 🖒

A different expression altogether sans the benefit of bottle age, Youthful, Zesty, Punchy. As filigreed of talcy acidity and fine boned as the rest of the crew, this is guava, lemon grass and sherbet, teeming along a line of candied citrus chew. The wine will blossom in the medium term, but will not shy away from some aged furrows and complexity. Alcohol: 12%. Closure: screwcap. Date tasted: Jan 2018. Drink by: 2029. Price: \$35. Rating: 94/100.

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion Region: Margaret River Rating: 95/100 🗞 🗞

It is hard to think of a modestly prized wine that enjoys as much show success at this. The 2017 took out three trophies and the 2018 has continued the golden run, including the trophy for Best Sauvignon Blanc at Australia's top wine show (National Wine Show of Australia). A classic Margaret river sauvignon blanc boasting tangy citrus, tropicals and gently grassy aromas. The flavours are both intense but delicate with a delicious line of acidity. What was the price again? Great value.

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Region: Heathcote Rating: 94/100 🖒 🦫

This full-flavoured shiraz features palate-gripping intensity, long length, balance, elegance, and loads of peppery and spicy characters". This shiraz, made by a legendary Australian producer has cemented its reputation as Australia's "go-to" Heathcote shiraz because of its outstanding quality and great value-formoney at the cellar door price of \$25 a bottle. Our price of only \$9.95 is so amazingly low for a shiraz of this quality. that we have to keep the identity of the wine absolutely top secret.

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