



# Australia

Wineries M - Q

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**Australia  
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*Date & place of tasting in italics*

Growers / Wineries are in alphabetical order with area underneath

**Madfish Wines  
Great Southern  
Western Australia**

**Red Wines**

**Pinot Noir 2015**

**91 2017-21**

*Tasted at the Royal College of Physicians May 2017*

The nose has a spicy mix of black fruits the start of the palate bright with bramble and mulberry. Richer in the middle a touch of black cherry a hint of sweetness at the back giving way to bramble and red fruited freshness on the finish.

**Majella  
Coonawarra  
South Australia**

**Red Wines**

**The Musician Cabernet / Shiraz 2005**

**84**

*Australia Tasting London January 2007*

Very hard on nose and the acidity on the palate has a green twist. The mid palate is firm and the finish rather dry.

**Shiraz 2002**

**83**

*Australia Tasting London January 2007*

It has little charm the acidity tends to overpower the fruit. More fruit does show on the mid palate but the end is very dry.

**Cabernet Sauvignon 2003**

**83**

*Australia Tasting London January 2007*

The fruit feels dry and rather green with the sweetness rather overpowered by hardness.

**Mallee Cabernet / Shiraz 2002**

**89**

*Coonawarra Tasting London September 2005*

Very fat, ripe and slightly jammy on nose. The palate has a mix of bramble and blackcurrant with minty spicy chocolate. It is quite firm at the moment but has some sweet fruit showing at the back just needs another 6 months or so.

**Malleea Cabernet / Shiraz 2003****85***Australia Tasting January London 2007*

Has a good weight of cassis on the nose and this comes through on the palate. It feels sweeter towards the back and although there is acidity it does not feel too green.

**Matilda Plains  
Langhorne Creek  
South Australia**

**White Wines****Sauvignon Blanc Verdelho 2009****89 2010-12***Tasted at the LWTF May 2010*

There is an aromatic crispness about the nose all very gooseberry driven. The racy freshness is there on the palate underpinned by sweeter fruits a nice mix of flavours. The herbal leafiness gives excitement to the long finish.

**Sauvignon Verdelho 2012****91 2014-16*****Sauvignon Blanc 70% Verdelho 30%****Tasted at the Australia Day tasting London January 2014*

The nose is very Sauvignon driven crisp with crunchy gooseberry but the palate feels sweeter with greengage and pear. Under the ripe fruit the sweeter flavours citrus refreshes with lime and lemon lingering on the finish.

**Sauvignon Blanc 2003****89***Tasted at LWTF May 2004*

The nose is very flowery with upfront fragrances. There is a mix of elderflower and crisp gooseberry. Hints of perfume show on the palate refreshed by gooseberry enriched by some tropical fruit then at the back there is the tingling freshness of lemon and lime.

**Sauvignon Blanc 2004****88***Tasted at LWTF May 2005*

There is lots of crisp lime and gooseberry, all very upfront. A mix of elderflower and gooseberry shows on the palate all very fresh and vibrant with a racy finish. The back palate has fair length of flavour.

**Sauvignon Blanc 2005****89***Tasted at LWTF May 2006*

The nose is flowery, fragrant limes and gooseberries, zippy fresh. A complex mix of fruits on the palate, the sweetness of the fruit is well balanced by the mid acidity which comes through and gives the finish a crunchy crispness.

**Sauvignon Blanc 2006****88***Tasted at LWTF May 2007*

The fragrances on the nose are light, a mix of elderflower and lime. Freshness on the palate gives a crisp feel and brings out the citrus character. Sweeter, deeper fruit shows towards the back.

**Sauvignon Blanc 2007****90***Tasted at LWTF May 2008*

The nose is attractively fragrant, lots of elderflower with fleshier grapefruit and lime underneath. The mix of citrus flavours gives an attractive crispness to the palate; sweeter richer grapefruit is in evidence lending more weight to the finish.

**Sauvignon Blanc 2008****91***Tasted at LWTF May 2009*

It has an attractive racy freshness, lots of lime and gooseberry, the freshness is though well balanced by fuller grapefruit with the fleshiness of pineapple giving some weight to the back palate.

**Sauvignon Blanc 2010****89****2011-13***Australia Tasting January 2011*

Fresh citrus is very much in evidence on the nose with the mix of lime and lemon giving a lovely fresh start to the palate. There is a bit more flesh on the mid palate the sweeter flavours giving a little more weight towards the back but it is the citrus mix that crisps up the finish.

**Red Wines****Cabernet Shiraz Merlot 2002****88***Tasted at LWTF May 2004*

The nose has mint and spice with fruits such as bilberry and loganberry showing. It starts with some sweet fruit but goes quite firm in the middle and although fruit sweetness comes back it finishes a touch dry.

**Cabernet Shiraz Merlot 2003****88***Tasted at LWTF May 2005*

The nose is rich, ripe with minty red fruit and plum. There is fair weight and depth of flavour on the palate with a mix of peppermint and raspberry and goodish length.

**Cabernet Shiraz Merlot 2004****91**

*Tasted at LWTF May 2006*

The cassis and bilberry has an attractive eucalyptus character. Lots of fat ripe plum on the palate giving a fleshy feel, the fruit is spiced up by black pepper and mint. The ripeness of the fruit fleshes out the finish giving a big mouthful of sweet fruit.

**Cabernet Shiraz Merlot 2005** **90**

*Tasted at LWTF May 2007*

The mix of black fruit that is there on the nose is rich and sweet. The palate has black plum and cassis, chocolate rich, backed by eucalyptus. It feels fleshy as the tannins are ripe and rounded, a complexity coming from the hints of black pepper on the finish.

**Cabernet Shiraz Merlot 2006** **90**

*Tasted at LWTF May 2008*

Lots of black fruit flavours come through on the nose, all quite rich and sweet. The palate is full of black plum and cassis, chocolate rich, all backed by eucalyptus. It feels fleshy as the tannins are ripe and rounded, a complexity coming from the hints of black pepper on the finish.

**Cabernet Shiraz Merlot 2007** **91**

*Tasted at LWTF May 2009*

Ripe plum enriches the nose but behind this is some peppery red fruit. Black plum enriched by dark chocolate is very much in evidence on the palate, spiced and refreshed by the underlying bilberry and cherry. There is a lot happening on the finish, a touch of eucalyptus with a mix of peppery spice.

**Cabernet Shiraz Merlot 2008** **90** **2010-13**

*Tasted at the LWTF May 2010*

The ripe black plum of Merlot appears to dominate but behind it is a mix of blackcurrant and black cherry. There are layers of fruit on the palate mainly sweet black fruits but there is enough red fruit freshness to balance and lift the flavours on the finish.

**Cabernet Shiraz 2012** **92** **2014-18**

***Cabernet Sauvignon 65% Shiraz 35%***

*Tasted at the Australia Day tasting London January 2014*

The mix of cassis and black cherry is rich the nose sweet fruited and the palate fleshy and supple. Black fruits black cherry and bramble are underpinned by red that give a slightly lighter feel at the back and bring out a black peppery spiciness.

**Maverick Vineyards  
Barossa**

**White Wines**

**Breechens Barossa Chardonnay 2009** **88** **2013-15**



*Tasted at Innholders January 2013*

There is a lot of rich fruit on the nose with fleshy pineapple on the palate. Towards the back there is a fresher feel but the finish is powerful with ripe sweet fruit.

**McHenry Hohnen**  
**Margaret River**

**White Wines****Rocky Road Semillon Sauvignon 2013****89 2017-19***Tasted in the Carlton Club January 2017*

The fruit is ripe the nose rich the palate has depth of fruit at the start yellow peach and apricot. Light and bright in the middle underlying citrus the finish is fresh with length of flavour.

**McGuigan**  
**Hunter Valley**

**Red Wines****Black Label Merlot 2015****85 2016-21****South Eastern Australia***Tasted in Shillington August 2016*

The nose is very fat and full overblown the palate stewed black plums fleshy. Alcohol shows at the back quite hot the finish very concentrated and slightly dry.

**Millamolong**  
**Orange**  
**New South Wales**

**White Wines****Chardonnay 2007****91 2010-13***Tasted at Vintners' Hall June 2010*

The nose is packed out with fleshy ripe melon and greengage and this sweetness gives richness on the palate. Under the fleshy sweetness there is freshness a touch of lime but the powerful sweet fruit is very much there on the back palate giving a lush richness on the finish.

**Red Wines****Merlot 2007****90 2010-15**

*Tasted at Vintners' Hall June 2010*

It is sweet with lots of ripe black and red plum. The ripeness of the fruit and rounded tannins give a fleshy richness on the mid palate but there is balance with fresher more red fruits showing towards the back.

**Cabernet Sauvignon 2006****90 2010-15***Tasted in Lilley July 2010*

The nose has lovely brambly fruit quite sweet but behind is a touch of bilberry freshness. There are layers of flavour on the palate with black fruits very much to the fore. The back palate has the fleshiness of ripe fruit and although there are underlying tannins they do feel ripe.

**"56 Miles" Shiraz 2007****91 2010-16***Tasted at the Edward Parker tasting Vintners' Hall November 2010*

The fruit is ripe giving lots of sweetness to both nose and palate but it is not over fat, jammy or over hot. The black fruits that are in evidence are backed and underpinned by red giving an attractive freshness towards the back, the black pepper spice adding lots of character.

**Mitchell's  
Clare Valley  
South Australia**

**Red Wines****Peppertree Shiraz 2007****91 2012-15***Tasted at the Royal College of Physicians January 2012*

The red fruits on the nose are backed by lots of peppermint and black pepper. The mid palate is quite sweet fruited but it feels fresher towards the back hints of eucalyptus and spicy pepper.

**Sweet White Wines****Noble Sémillon 2010****89 2012-18***Tasted in Lilley July 2012*

There is a honeyed richness on the nose lots of apricot and candied peel. The palate is sticky sweet luscious and fleshy and although there is some citrus towards the back it is very honey fleshy rich on the finish

**Mitolo  
Mclaren Vale  
South Australia**

**Red Wines**

- “Jester” Shiraz 2005** **87**  
*Australia Tasting London January 2007*  
 It is fat, sweet a bit jammy, there is not much complexity but easy red fruit flavours with just a touch of spice.
- “Jester” Cabernet Sauvignon 2005** **88**  
*Australia Tasting London January 2007*  
 Full of fruit, very cassis, the ripeness on the palate gives a coating of dark chocolate. Not great complexity but full and easy.
- “GAM” Shiraz 2005** **88**  
*Australia Tasting London January 2007*  
 It feels lush the nose is fat and the palate ripe and fleshy. Some freshness shows through brightening the fruit and giving a lift to the finish.
- “Savitar” Shiraz 2005** **89**  
*Australia Tasting London January 2007*  
 There is lots of power on the nose and the weight of fruit enriches the palate. The mix of red fruits is backed by black pepper giving a spice lift to the finish.
- “Serpico” Cabernet Sauvignon 2005** **92**  
*Australia Tasting London January 2007*  
 Depth of fruit on the nose, the cassis feels ripe and is underpinned by fresher brighter bilberry. Chocolate richness cut through by a touch of acidity giving an exciting complexity.

**Mollydooker  
 McLaren Vale  
 South Australia**

### White Wines

- The Violinist Verdelho 2007** **93**  
*Tasted at LWTF May 2009*  
 The fruit feels very ripe and this gives a fleshy weight to both nose and palate. Green plum gives richness and is refreshed and brightened by the lime and lemon that shows towards the finish. The mix of flavours combined with the sweetness yet freshness make for an attractive complexity.

### Red Wines

- Two Left Feet 2004** **95**

**Shiraz Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot***Tasted at LWTF May 2007*

Seductively ripe on the nose, the cassis and plum is sweet, rich and fleshy but this is intermingled with a lighter black pepper character. Rich and voluptuous on the palate, the power and sweetness is brightened by the mid freshness. The fruit mix has complexity and is beautifully balanced with lots of pepper and spice coming through adding excitement. So seductive, voluptuous and rich on the finish, the fruit lasts for an amazing length of time.

**Two Left Feet 2006****95****Shiraz Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot***Tasted at LWTF May 2008*

There is amazing power of fruit, a richness and sweetness that fleshes out both nose and palate. Blackcurrant flavours are very dominant underpinned by ripe black plum lightened a bit by some bilberry and bramble that shows towards the back. It is a very seductive, voluptuous number.

**Two Left Feet 2012****93****2015-24****Shiraz 69% Cabernet Sauvignon 16% Merlot 15%***Tasted at the Australia Day tasting London January 2014*

The nose is rich the palate sweet fruited fleshy with ripe damson and cassis but behind the sensuous richness red cherry refreshes and gives a lighter feel bringing out the hint of pepper. The back palate and finish are power packed rich fruited sweet and ripe.

**The Boxer Shiraz 2004****96***Tasted at LWTF May 2007*

The nose is sweet, fleshy, seductive voluptuous with ripe fruit. The red fruits are spiced up by some black pepper. Lush and silky smooth on the palate, the fruit has depth and power but is beautifully balanced by the mid acidity. The lush, seductive flavours are seamless and one is left with a mouthful of rich, complex fruit that has an amazing elegance.

**The Boxer Shiraz 2009****93****2011-17***Tasted at the London Wine Trade Fair May 2011*

The nose is power packed full of spicy ripe black fruits. Rich flavours fill out the palate supple and fleshy with towards the back some freshness and lots of black pepper spicing up the finish. It is a big mouthful of flavour.

**The Boxer 2012****93****2014-22****Shiraz 100%***Tasted at the Australia Day tasting London January 2014*

Peppery and spicy red fruits tend to dominate the nose. The palate has sweet fruit a mix of flavours the red fruits underpinned by black red cherry with bramble and bilberry The complex fruit mix lingers on the long peppery finish.

**Maitre D' Cabernet Sauvignon 2004****93**

*Tasted at LWTF May 2007*

The nose is fleshy and rich dominated by a mix of black fruits and dark chocolate. The palate is packed with sweetness, lots of blackcurrants, bilberries and sloes, all intertwined and ensuring a complex mix of flavours. The ripe fruit is powerfully sweet but not jammy as there is brightness and freshness and the tannins have structure. Lovely wild blackberry puree comes through towards the finish, long and oh so more-some.

**The Maitre D' Cabernet Sauvignon 2009****93 2011-17***Tasted at the London Wine Trade Fair May 2011*

Blackcurrant and black cherry enrich the nose and give depth of flavour on the palate. Dark chocolate and rounded tannins all add to the fleshy power and although there is fresh bilberry towards the back the finish is rich and sweet fruited.

**Blue Eyed Boy 2011****96 2014-24****Shiraz 100%***Tasted at the Australia Day tasting London January 2014*

Deep rich with brooding flavours there is a lot happening on the nose. The palate is lush voluptuously fleshy the fruit ripe the tannins rounded. Under the ripe flavours the suppleness there is an appealing freshness more of a red fruited character with spicy black pepper on the finish.

**Moss Wood  
Margaret River  
Western Australia**

**White Wines****Ribbon Vale Sauvignon Blanc Sémillon 2014****90 2015-19***Tasted at the Premium Australia tasting Australia House September 2015*

Gooseberry fresh the nose is bright the start of the palate crisp. There are hints of tropical fruits in the middle but the citrus mix dominates the back palate and gives crispness on the finish.

**Semillon 2014****90 2015-19***Tasted at the Premium Australia tasting Australia House September 2015*

Depth on the nose the fruit on the palate is rich peachy. There is an underlying freshness flowery and fragrant with sweet ripe fruit giving depth on the finish.

*Tasted at the tasting in Australia House London October 2017***91 2017-20**

The nose has depth rich fruit the palate breadth of flavour the back palate has ripe apricots with just a hint of fragrant maturity on the finish.

**Chardonnay 2013****92 2015-19***Tasted at the Premium Australia tasting Australia House September 2015*

Ripe greengage richness the palate has depth of fruit fleshy ripe melon in the middle. Apple and citrus balance the back palate lighter but it finishes with depth of fruit.

**Chardonnay 2015** **93** **2017-21**

*Tasted at the Western Australia tasting Australia House London October 2017*

The fruit on the nose is rich and ripe the palate has greengage and melon the fleshiness underpinned by some apple a lovely balance. It fills out at the back and finishes with rich fruit depth of flavour.

### Red Wines

**Pinot Noir 2011** **91** **2017-19**

*Tasted at the Western Australia tasting Australia House London October 2017*

The fruit on the nose is fresh and fragrant red fruits and black fruits. The mid palate has mulberry and bramble a complex mix of flavours fresh at the back with sweet ripe coming through and enriching the finish.

**Pinot Noir 2012** **89** **2015-20**

*Tasted at the Premium Australia tasting Australia House September 2015*

Light and fragrant red fruits dominate redcurrant backed by richer mulberry. There is mid sweetness hints of black fruits fresh at the back the finish is quite light and fragrant.

**Amy's Blend 2013** **91** **2015-20**

***Cabernet Sauvignon Malbec Merlot Petit Verdot***

*Tasted at the Premium Australia tasting Australia House September 2015*

Both nose and palate have a complex mix of flavours very black fruit in character with cassis tending to be to the fore. Black plum in the middle backed by hints of spicy black truffles the finish lighter fresher herbal.

**Ribbon Vale Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot 2012** **90** **2015-20**

*Tasted at the Premium Australia tasting Australia House September 2015*

Cassis black cherry the nose has depth the palate a rich mix of flavours. Ripe tannins add to the mid sweetness the back palate has black plum richness the finish rich and fruity.

**Cabernet Sauvignon 2012** **93** **2015-24**

*Tasted at the Premium Australia tasting Australia House September 2015*

Fragrant quite fresh on the nose the start of the palate has bilberry bramble mix. Depth of fruit in the middle cassis backed by firm black cherry the finish brambly with herbal freshness.

**Cabernet Sauvignon 2014** **93** **2017-25**

*Tasted at the Western Australia tasting Australia House London October 2017*

Bilberry on the nose the fruit is fresh and fragrant the palate richer with cassis and black cherry the tannins are fine and integrated. The back palate is lighter bramble and bilberry freshness but it fills out on the finish with a mix of rich black fruits.

**Mountadam  
Eden Valley**

**White Wines**

**Chardonnay 2012**

**89 2013-16**

*Tasted at the Royal College of Physicians November 2013*

Ripe melon fills the nose and gives depth and fleshiness on the palate. The mid palate is rich with greengage underpinning the melon yet although the back palate is power packed the finish is slightly lighter with a hint of oak.

**Mount Horrocks  
Clare Valley  
South Australia**

**White Wines**

**Watervale Riesling 2006**

**90**

*Australia Tasting London January 2007*

The nose has a fragrant mix of tropical fruit and slate mineral. There is a mix with lively freshness, then sweetness, all adding to the complexity. The tropical fruit mix comes through towards the back.

**Watervale Riesling 2010**

**92 2013-17**

*Tasted at the Mansion House July 2013*

Fragrant herbal and refreshed by lime the nose has lots of complexity. The palate starts with herbaceous freshness but the mid palate feels richer with ripe tropical fruits yet the finish like the nose is grassy fresh with lots of character.

**Watervale Riesling 2015**

**90 2016-20**

*Tasted at the Royal College of Physicians June 2016*

Lime freshness on the nose the palate has grapefruit at the start. There is a touch of sweetness in the middle a hint of tropical fruit but it finishes with freshness a mix of citrus fruits.

**Watervale Riesling 2016**

**91 2017-21**

*Tasted in the Carlton Club May 2017*

The nose is light and citrusy the palate rich with ripe grapefruit a hint of tropical fruit. Lime and lemon behind the sweetness refresh the back palate racy, zesty with a mix of fresh fruits.

**Watervale Semillon 2004** 90

*Australia Tasting London January 2007*

The nose has lots of powerful flavours; the fruit has weight and depth, lemon meringue mixed with honeydew melon. The freshness on the mid palate brightens the fruit.

**Watervale Semillon 2015** 91 2017-22

*Tasted in the Carlton Club May 2017*

Rich fruit scraped tangerine and lemon peel the start of the palate has depth lemon curd a complex mix of flavours. Lighter and fresher towards the back there is a strong citrus character the finish is light with a mix of fresh fruits.

### Red Wines

**Clare Valley Shiraz 2004** 89

*Australia Tasting London January 2007*

The nose is packed with peppery red fruits. The palate has a mix of flavours spiced up by the black pepper. Fragrance towards the back

**Clare Valley Cabernet Sauvignon / Merlot 2002** 90

*Australia Tasting London January 2007*

Cassis features strongly on the nose but behind this is lots of black plum. Good weight of sweet fruit on the palate, ripe and rich. There is enough freshness to ensure that it is elegant not jammy.

**Cabernet Sauvignon 2010** 93 2016-25

*Tasted in the Eco Lodges Clophill August 2016*

Blackcurrants the nose has freshness the palate starts with firm black cherry the tannins structured but ripe. Depth in the middle the black fruits underpinned by dark chocolate a rich mix of flavours. Fresher at the back more of a bilberry influence the finish has depth lots of cassis.

### Sweet White

**"Cordon Cut" Clare Valley Riesling 2006** 94

*Australia Tasting London January 2007*

There is a wonderful mix of flavours on the nose, first fresh greengage and tropical fruits then sweet candied orange peel. There is depth of flavour, sweet and rich all lifted by an exciting freshness.

**"Cordon Cut" Clare Valley Riesling 2010** 93 2012-17



*Tasted at Innholders February 2012*

Fresh greengage is backed by tropical fruits the mix giving complexity on both nose and palate. Sweet candied orange peel and apricot fleshes out the mid palate the ripe sweet flavours nicely balanced by the freshness that shows towards the back.

**“Cordon Cut” Clare Valley Riesling 2011****92 2013-18***Tasted at Lincoln’s Inn October 2013*

The nose has a mix of fruits tropical fruits sweet and ripe backed by greengage and tangerine freshness. Although the mid palate is light it fills out towards the back and finishes with rich ripe fleshy flavours.

**“Cordon Cut” Clare Valley Riesling 2014****93 2015-22***Tasted at Innholders’ Hall February 2015*

The nose has orange blossom fragrances the start of the palate fresh citrusy with slightly richer tangerine. The mid palate is sweet candied orange peel, white peach and although fresher at the back the finish has a mix of sweet fruits.

**“Cordon Cut” Clare Valley Riesling 2015****92 2015-22***Tasted at the Liberty tasting The Oval September 2016*

The nose is light, fragrant orange blossom spring flowers the start of the palate has citrus freshness. Rich and ripe in the middle apricots and candied peel with the sweet fruit giving a fleshy richness at the back and on the finish.

**“Cordon Cut” Clare Valley Riesling 2016****92 2017-23***Tasted in Innholders’Hall January 2017*

The nose is expressive fragrant with orange blossom white flowers the palate light at the start. Rich ripe fruit in the middle a mix of fruits greengage, peach and pear and although rich and sweet at the back the finish has freshness a touch of tangerine.

**“Cordon Cut” Clare Valley Riesling 2017****93 2018-24***Tasted in Innholders’Hall April 2018*

The nose has an expressive mix of fragrances floral with orange blossom hints of freshness then richness. Tropical fruits dominate the palate rich and sweet in the middle some candied orange peel all balanced by underlying tangerine. The finish is sweet with ripe fruit fleshy and rich.

**Murphy’s  
Murray River  
New South Wales**

**White Wines**

- Chardonnay 2003** 88  
*Tasted at the LWTF May 2005*  
 The nose is light, fresh and fragrant, an attractive mix of melon and lime. On taste there are very fresh upfront flavours with the citrus character lingering.
- Chardonnay 2004** 88  
*Australia Tasting January 2005*  
 Light, fresh with a mix of lemon and melon. Quite upfront on taste with a fragrant slightly fleshy feel. It has freshness at the back with attractive lime and lemon fragrance.
- Chardonnay 2006** 89  
*Tasted at the LWTF May 2008*  
 Richness of fruit comes out on the nose, a lovely mix of greengage and melon. The sweetness on the palate has a fleshy feel but is balanced by the mid freshness ensuring good length. There is lots of interest at the back with an attractive complexity of flavours.
- Chardonnay 2007** 89  
*Tasted at the LWTF May 2009*  
 There is an attractive fragrance to the greengage flavours on the nose. Melon mixed in with the greengage gives more weight to the palate, the fleshiness of the fruit well balanced by some apple freshness.
- Chardonnay 2010** 89 2011-13  
*Tasted at the London Wine Trade Fair May 2011*  
 Melon is very much in evidence giving a fleshy richness on both nose and palate. The fruit is sweet and ripe but this richness is nicely balanced by the apple and citrus that refreshes the back palate.
- Chardonnay 2012** 89 2013-17  
*Tasted at LWTF May 2013*  
 There is a limey freshness on the nose but the palate is richer sweeter fruited with lots of greengage. The lime is there at the back giving freshness on the finish.
- Chardonnay 2014** 92 2014-19  
*Tasted at the Australia Day tasting London January 2014*  
 There is a lovely depth of flavour on the nose with rich greengage on the palate. The fruit is ripe the mid palate fleshy a honeydew melon richness the sweet fruit balanced by apple and lime that refreshes and lifts the flavours on the finish. Great as a glass of wine but it goes well with fish dishes and poultry.
- Unoaked Chardonnay 2010** 90 2011-13  
*Tasted at the London Wine Trade Fair May 2011*  
 There is a lot of ripe fruit on the nose with richness of flavour on the palate. In the middle it is lighter fresher with more of a greengage character and this purity of flavour lingers on the finish.

**Unoaked Chardonnay 2011****89 2012-16***Tasted at the London Wine Trade Fair May 2012*

It is light with apple and lime freshness. There is a nice mix of flavours on the palate with the fresher fruits backed by richer greengage and melon. Although not that complex it has charm.

**Unoaked Chardonnay 2013****92 2014-18***Tasted at the LWF June 2014*

Fragrant and fresh on the nose apple and citrus refreshes the palate. There is mid sweetness a lovely balance a mix of greengage and lime. The fresher fruits at the back giving a lighter feel to the finish.

**Red Wines****Shiraz 2002****88***Tasted at the LWTF May 2004*

The nose is sweet with ripe plum, squashy and full. The taste is rounded, sweet with lots of ripe fruit, black plums, some bramble and bilberry with hints of spice pepper coming through.

**Shiraz 2003****87***Australia Tasting January 2006*

Very light and fragrant, the red berried fruit is quite fresh. A mix of flavours on the palate although quite light and flowery does give some interest and the hints of pepper spice add brightness to the finish.

**Shiraz 2006****89***Tasted at the LWTF May 2008*

The nose is quite black fruit dominated giving more weight and this power comes through on the palate. The blackcurrant and bilberry is backed by some mulberry and bramble spiced up by a touch of black pepper.

**Shiraz 2009****90 2011-15***Tasted at the London Wine Trade Fair May 2011*

Spicy black pepper underpins the black fruited mix on the nose. The palate feels lighter with some fresh reds fruits showing but it is the black fruit sweetness and black pepper spice that come through strongly on the finish..

**Shiraz 2010****89 2012-16***Tasted at the London Wine Trade Fair May 2012*

The nose is full of sweet fruit with more black fruits in evidence than red. The palate is rich quite supple and fleshy black cherry backed by ripe mulberry. There is fresher feel towards the back which brings out the black pepper spice on the finish.

**Shiraz 2012****89 2013-18***Tasted at LWTF May 2013*

Minty black fruits are backed by red the sweetness of the black balanced by raspberry freshness. The mid palate is sweet fruited quite rich with lots of black pepper excitement on the finish.

*Tasted at the Australia Day tasting London January 2014***92 2014-20**

The predominantly black fruited nose has black pepper spiciness and the palate is rich fruited with lots of bramble. The sweetness of the fruit gives richness in the middle yet there are enough red fruits to balance lighten and bring out black pepper that spices up the finish. It so easy a great glass of red with enough flavour to compliment the richer meats yet not too much to overpower lamb and pork.

**Shiraz 2013****92 2014-19***Tasted at the LWF June 2014*

Spicy and fragrant on the nose yet the palate has depth and sweetness with rich black fruits and ripe red. The rich mix on the mid palate is backed by freshness the finish has a lovely black pepper spiciness.

**Noon  
McLaren Vale  
South Australia**

**Red Wines****Eclipse 2012****98 2014-24****Grenache 88% Shiraz 9% Graciano 3%***Tasted at the Australia Day tasting London January 2014*

Fresh and fragrant the red fruits have herbal undertones. The palate is sweet lush sensuous, voluptuous fleshy yet there is freshness at the back mulberry and red cherry underpinned by a forest leaf character. Although the finish has fragrance and elegance there is lots of rich sweet fruit.

**No Stone Unturned  
Murray Darling Australia**

**Red Wines****Semillon Chardonnay 2014****89 2015-19***Tasted at Lincoln's Inn October 2015*

Semillon and Chardonnay complement each other the nose has depth of fruit the start of the palate ripe melon richness. Behind the sweet fruit citrus and apple refresh balance a mix of

flavours the sweetness yet freshness making it an easy drinking enjoyable glass of white and one that suits fish, lighter meats and salads.

**Semillon Chardonnay 2017**

**89 2018-21**

*Tasted in the Royal College of Physicians February 2018*

Behind the ripe melon on the nose there is mineral and lime freshness the palate starts with a rich mix of sweet fruits. Fresher towards the back the fruit has a herbal leafy character some cut apple but it fills out on the finish with depth of flavour.

**Omrah  
Mount Barker  
Western Australia**

**White Wines**

**Sauvignon Blanc 2006**

**87**

*Australia Tasting London January 2007*

The nose is light but has attractive fragrances, a mix of tropical fruits and green apple. There is sweetness on the mid palate but towards the back a crisper feel.

**Unoaked Chardonnay 2006**

**89**

*Australia Tasting London January 2007*

There is a lovely freshness on the nose with some sweeter greengage showing at the back. The mid palate has a mineral character backed by lovely fresh fruits and the finish has good length.

**Red Wines**

**Pinot Noir 2005**

**86**

*Australia Tasting London January 2007*

It is very light, quite fragrant but lacking mid heart. Sweeter mulberry shows towards the back but lacks real depth.

**Shiraz 2004**

**88**

*Australia Tasting London January 2007*

It feels quite easy nothing really complex the fruit ripeness giving some sweetness more reds fruit in evidence than black. The pepper spice gives a lift to the sweet flavours on the back palate.

**Merlot 2003**

**88**

*Australia Tasting London January 2007*

There is a lot of ripe plum enriching the nose and giving a squashy sweetness on the palate. Black fruits very much in evidence on the mid palate and they last quite well on the finish.

**Cabernet Sauvignon 2004**

**88**

*Australia Tasting London January 2007*

Packed with black fruits on the nose, the blackcurrant has sloes underpinning. The palate is sweet and fleshy but at the back there is more bilberry showing giving a lighter fresher feel to the finish.

**Palandri Estate  
Margaret River  
Western Australia**

**Red Wines****Cabernet Sauvignon 2002 87***Australia Tasting London January 2007*

Sweet, ripe fruit is very much in evidence on both nose and palate. Dark chocolate gives sweetness on the palate and some bilberry refreshes and lightens the finish.

**Cabernet / Merlot 2002 87***Australia Tasting London January 2007*

There is quite good depth of fruit on the nose, a mix of cassis and plum. The palate has weight of ripe flavours but the finish is over firm and tight.

**Vita Novus Cabernet Sauvignon 2005 90***Australia Tasting London January 2007*

The nose is packed with ripe cassis, fleshy feel to the palate; the blackcurrant has added complexity from some fresh bilberry. There is a lovely depth towards the back.

**Solora Cabernet / Merlot 2004 86***Australia Tasting London January 2007*

There is nice cassis richness on the nose but the palate has high acidity that tends to overpower and dry out the fruit.

**S C Pannell  
McLaren Vale  
South Australia**

**Red Wines****Shiraz 2004 90***Australia Tasting London January 2007*

Very rich fruit on the nose, ripe and sweet with a complex mix of red and black. The palate is quite lush but then there is a streak of refreshing acidity. Peppery spice gives a racy feel to the finish.

**Shiraz / Grenache 2004****91***Australia Tasting London January 2007*

The nose has power but also a leafy herbal freshness. The supple tannins give the palate a fleshy character but the red fruits have some acidity brightening the flavours.

**Paulett Winery  
Clare Valley  
South Australia  
Red Wines**

**Polish Hill River Shiraz 2007****90****2012-16***Tasting in Lincoln's Inn July 2012*

Sweet ripe fruit is very much in evidence on the nose and fills out the palate. Although black fruits appear to dominate there are red fruits behind all adding to the complexity. Black and white pepper is very much in evidence towards the back a lovely spicy finish.

**Penfolds  
Barossa Valley  
South Australia**

**White Wines****Bin 311 Chardonnay 2012****92****2014-18****Tumbarumba New South Wales***Tasted at the Australia Day tasting London January 2014*

Apple and citrus refresh the nose and the start of the palate has a racy freshness. There is depth of flavour in the middle ripe and rich greengage the sweet fruit nicely balanced by the freshness at the back.

**Red Wines****Bin 2 Shiraz Mourvèdre 2013****92****2015-22***Tasted at the Premium Australia tasting Australia House September 2015*

Depth on the nose the palate starts with fleshy sweetness a rich mix of red and black fruits. There is mid freshness red fruits slightly herbaceous but it fills out the back and finishes with richness and depth.

**Bin 28 Shiraz 2010****92****2014-20***Tasted at the Australia Day tasting London January 2014*

The nose has a mix of fruits fresh bramble with redcurrant at the back with hints of black pepper. The fruit on the mid palate is ripe sweet giving depth and richness yet towards the back the fresher fruits dominate giving a lighter feel on the finish.

**Bin 28 Kalimna Shiraz 2013** **92** **2015-22**

*Tasted at the Premium Australia tasting Australia House September 2015*

Bright on the nose the start of the palate has red fruited freshness. Sweet and ripe in the middle depth of flavour at the back but the finish is lighter fresher and has a hint of spice.

**Bin 128 Shiraz 2011** **90** **2014-20**

*Tasted at the Australia Day tasting London January 2014*

Spicy and peppery the nose is fresh red fruited and the start of the palate light. There is mid sweetness some bramble some wild strawberry a complex mix and although the finish is light it has a fresh fruited fragrant charm.

**Koonunga Hill 76 Shiraz 2013** **90** **2015-21**

*Tasted at the Premium Australia tasting Australia House September 2015*

Bright fresh red fruits on the nose the palate though sweeter the fruit in the middle is rich and ripe. Fresh red fruits at the back give brightness on the finish.

**St Henri Shiraz 2012** **96** **2016-26**

*Tasted at the Premium Australia tasting Australia House September 2015*

There is a lot happening on the nose bright red fruits with richer black. The palate has complexity layers of flavour power and depth sweet fruit but under the richness the fruit is bright savoury. There is the feeling of harmony balance the sweetness at the back balanced by freshness on the finish.

**RWT Barossa Valley Shiraz 2013** **95** **2016-25**

**Barossa Valley**

*Tasted at the Premium Australia tasting Australia House September 2015*

Aromatic and fresh on the nose the palate has a savoury mix of flavours the red fruits underpinned by bramble. The mid palate has a creamy richness coffee beans and roasted meats and although there is a powerful mix of fruits on the back palate the finish is lighter peppery and spicy.

**Bin 389 Cabernet Sauvignon Shiraz 2013** **94** **2016-24**

*Tasted at the Premium Australia tasting Australia House September 2015*

Cassis tends to dominate the nose but the palate has red fruits freshness under the sweetness. Fine tannins give support the mid palate fleshy and supple with black cherry firmness showing on the back palate and finish.

**Bin 407 Cabernet Sauvignon 1996** **92** **2018-24**

*Tasted in Lincoln's Inn at the BYOB Dinner July 2018*



Full fat rich the nose has depth the palate is fleshy with a concentrated mix of flavours. The underlying power is tempered by a streak of red fruit and although the tannins are firm structured on the back palate there is sweetness on the finish.

**Bin 407 Cabernet Sauvignon 2013****93 2016-24***Tasted at the Premium Australia tasting Australia House September 2015*

Black cherry and cassis the nose has a powerful mix of flavours the palate has richness mid depth brooding black fruits. Ripe tannins add to the fleshy mid richness and although brighter and fresher at the back the finish has depth of flavour.

**Penley Estate  
Coonawarra  
South Australia**

**White Wines****Chardonnay 2002****90***Coonawarra Tasting September 2005*

The nose is very light with fresh mineral lime and green plum. There is some freshness on the palate and it has good balance between fruit and acidity. Light lingering finish.

**Red Wines****Phoenix Cabernet 2003****91***Coonawarra Tasting London September 2005*

There is lots of sweet fruit but it does feel quite firm and intense not jammy. The taste has a good mix of black fruits with coffee and chocolate showing. Sweetness shows on the finish but there is a mineral firmness right at the back.

**Cabernet Reserve 2002****90***Coonawarra Tasting London September 2005*

There is a lot of fruit power and weight on the nose. The sweetness on the palate comes from the mass of ripe blackcurrant and sloe. Minty chocolate gives some sweetness but the end dries a bit and feels a touch short.

**Pertaringa  
McLaren Vale  
South Australia**

**Red Wines****Rifle & Hunt Cabernet Sauvignon 2007****86 2012-18***Tasted in Lilley February 2012*

The black fruits are powerful rich with some underlying peppermint and dried fruits. Blackcurrant and sloe are very much in evidence on the palate all very concentrated and lacking any sweetness. The tannins are firm grippy and their dryness leaves the finish short and dusty dry and with little charm.

**Understudy Cabernet Petit Verdot 2006** **87** **2012-18**

*Tasted in Lilley February 2012*

The nose is very black fruited with a slight herbal character all very concentrated. The palate has some richness some sweet fruit lots of cassis but behind is black cherry and fresher bilberry. The tannins feel firm but not dusty and although there is a mix of black plum, cassis and black cherry at the back the finish is quite dry.

**Two Gentlemens Grenache 2007** **87** **2012-17**

*Tasted in Lilley February 2012*

The nose is very herbal rather green forest leaf with bilberry and cherry stone. The palate starts very sweet and fleshy with lots of strawberry and red plum slightly sticky sweet in the middle but there is cherry stone freshness towards the back. The sweetness then dryness gives a rather unbalanced feel and there is a whiff of alcohol on the finish.

**Over the Top Shiraz 2007** **86** **2012-18**

*Tasted in Lilley February 2012*

The nose is very black fruit driven with lots of peppermint in the back a slight dustiness. The palate is concentrated chunky lots of blackberry and some blackcurrant. There are some red fruits at the back with a little sweetness but this is soon overtaken by firm rather dry tannins all a bit dusty dry giving not much charm on the finish.

**Petaluma  
Coonawarra  
South Australia**

**Red Wines**

**Cabernet / Merlot 2001** **89**

*Coonawarra Tasting London September 2005*

There is a fair weight of fruit on the nose but it feels just a touch dry. There is a ripe feel on the palate the sweetness underpinned by fresher blackberry. The finish lacks a little length.

**Cabernet / Merlot 2002** **90**

*Coonawarra Tasting London September 2005*

There is a good weight of fruit showing on the nose, all quite sweet and ripe. The palate has weight and depth ripe plum intermingled with cassis and bilberry. The fruit lasts on the finish.

**Merlot 2001** **90**

*Coonawarra Tasting London September 2005*

The nose is fat slightly jammy with a mix of black and red plum. The palate has more structure and a lot of fruit showing. It has a good weight of flavour in the middle with a fair length of flavour.

**Cabernet / Merlot 1998 (70/30)****93***Coonawarra Tasting London September 2005*

There is some ripe weight of fruit on the nose a mix of black plum and sloe. The taste is full, sweet yet structured with mid complexity. The miner driven fruits cassis and bilberry are enriched by chocolate spiced by hints of cedar wood and there is richness on the finish.

**Peter Lehmann**  
**Barossa Valley**

**White Wines****Masters "Margaret" Semillon 2010****92 2017-20***Tasted in the Carlton Club May 2017*

The nose has lemon flower fragrance the start of the palate bright with citrus freshness. Rich fruit in the middle depth of flavour honeyed fruit waxy concentrated and complex. Citrus at the back gives a lighter fresher feel but the finish has richness and depth with ripe tropical fruits.

**Red Wines****"The Layers" Red 2012****90 2015-20*****Shiraz Tempranillo, Mourvèdre Grenache.****Tasted at the Liberty tasting The Oval September 2015*

Peppery and spicy the nose has a mix of red fruits the palate sweet and ripe. Depth in the middle the rounded tannins add to the suppleness but there is a balancing freshness lighter at the back with lots of black pepper on the finish.

**"The Layers" Red 2014****90 2016-22*****Shiraz Tempranillo, Mourvèdre Grenache.****Tasted at the Liberty tasting The Oval January 2016*

The nose has a mix of black and red fruits peppery and spicy the palate has sweet fruit depth in the middle. The tannins feel ripe supple and fleshy with at the back enough red fruited freshness to bring out the black pepper spice and give a lighter feel to the finish.

**Sweet White Wines****Botrytis Semillon 2013****93 2017-21***Tasted in Innholders' Hall January 2017*

*Tasted in Lincoln's Inn March 2017*

The nose is full of ripe peach and apricot the palate luscious with candied orange peel sumptuous and sweet. Tangerine towards the back balances gives freshness brings out the spiciness of botrytis but it fills out on the finish sweet and rich.

**Masters Botrytis Semillon 2016****92 2018-23***Tasted in Lincoln's Inn January 2018**Tasted in Lincoln's Inn March 2018*

Ripe peach, apricots candied peel the nose is sweet with ripe fruit the palate fleshy depth of flavour. The luscious mid sweetness is balanced by underlying tangerine layers of flavour the back palate has richness ripeness and fleshy sweetness.

**Pewsey Vale  
Eden Valley**

**White Wines****Pewsey Vale Eden Valley Riesling 2010****92 2011-14***Tasted at Lincoln's Inn July 2011*

The nose is scented with a lovely floral mix. Peachy fruit gives richness in the middle but this is nicely balanced by the underlying freshness. The back palate has a herbal character that adds to the complexity.

**Pewsey Riesling 2011****88 2012-15***Tasted at the Negociants tasting London September 2012*

The fresh lime brings out the floral mix and the palate has citrus and apple freshness. Towards the back there are some slightly sweeter tropical fruits but the finish is green lime crisp.

**Pewsey Vale Contours Riesling 2006****94 2012-18***Tasted at the Negociants tasting London September 2012*

Peach and apricot are fleshy ripe giving richness on the nose and a lovely depth of flavour on the palate. The nuttiness of maturity is there the mix of fruits underpinned by a leafy herbal character. The finish has a lovely length of flavour a mix of fruits that linger.

**Pierro  
Margaret River  
Western Australia**

**White Wines****LTC (Little Touch of Chardonnay) 2014****89 2015-19**

*Tasted at the Premium Australia tasting Australia House September 2015*

Lime fresh on the nose the start of the palate is light and bright. More depth in the middle a greengage melon mix but citrus dominates the back palate the finish has lime lemon freshness.

**LTC (Little Touch of Chardonnay) 2015****92 2017-21***Tasted at the Western Australia tasting Australia House London October 2017*

Concentrated fruit the nose is rich the palate fleshy with ripe melon. Under the sweet fruit apple freshness gives balance the back palate lighter but it finishes with richness depth of flavour.

**Chardonnay 2013****92 2015-19***Tasted at the Premium Australia tasting Australia House September 2015*

Rich fruit on the nose the palate is fleshy with ripe melon depth of flavour. There is enough freshness to balance but the sweet fruit the ripe greengage gives richness and depth at the back and on the finish.

**Chardonnay 2014****92 2017-21***Tasted at the Western Australia tasting Australia House London October 2017*

The fruit on the nose is concentrated and rich the palate has ripe melon fleshy quite sweet. Fresher at the back layers of citrus but it fills out on the finish with ripe melon and fleshy greengages

**Red Wines****LTcF (Little Touch of Cabernet Franc) 2012****93 2017-21***Tasted at the Western Australia tasting Australia House London October 2017*

Black cherries cassis the nose has a rich mix of flavours the start of the palate fleshy the fruit backed by ripe tannins. Under the richness herbal bramble refreshes complexity of flavour the finish fuller with a rich mix of black fruits.

**Pikes  
Clare Valley  
South Australia**

**White Wines****White Mullet 2007****92****Riesling Viognier Chenin Sauvignon***Tasted at LWTF May 2008*

The nose has an attractive mix of flavours, first fresh lime and then richer tropical fruits and peaches towards the back. The palate mirrors the nose, the crisper fresher fruits dominating the start with the sweeter, richer flavours showing in the middle and towards the finish.

- White Mullet 2008** 91  
***Riesling Viognier Sauvignon Blanc Chenin Blanc***  
*Tasted at LWTF May 2009*  
 As one might expect there is a lot happening on the nose as various fragrances assert themselves. The herbal green combined with lime freshness from Riesling and Sauvignon Blanc is well balanced by richer peach and apricot from Viognier. The flavours linger long.
- White Mullet 2009** 89 2010-12  
***Riesling Viognier Chenin Sauvignon***  
*Tasted at the LWTF May 2010*  
 There is a lot happening on the nose with tropical fruits, lemon and lime very much to the fore. The palate feels sweet a lush mix of flavours the richness underpinned and nicely balanced by a racy freshness.
- White Mullet 2012** 92 2014-17  
***Riesling 62% Chenin Blanc 18% Sauvignon Blanc 14% Viognier 6%***  
*Tasted at Lincoln's Inn February 2014*  
 A fruit salad of flavours the nose has lots of fragrances and the palate layers of fruit peachy at the start with tropical fruits. Under the richness lime and lemon refresh and give a lighter racier feel at the back with the mix of flavours lingering on the finish.
- White Mullet 2013** 90 2014-18  
***Riesling Fiano Pinot Grigio Viognier***  
*Tasted at the Australia Day tasting London January 2014*  
 Floral flinty with a mineral freshness on the nose the palate starts with a strong citrus character but the middle is richer with a touch of white peach a hint of apricot. The fruit feels ripe with sweetness at the back yet the finish has citrus freshness.
- Luccio White 2004** 91  
***Pinot Grigio, Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc***  
*Australia Tasting January 2006*  
 It is fragrant, minerally with lots of gooseberry and flowery spice. There is an exciting mix of fruits on the palate, first greengage then melon, then fresh lime and all these overlaid with a slate flintiness. The finish is fragrant flowery and has length.
- Luccio White 2005** 92  
***Pinot Grigio Chardonnay Sauvignon Blanc***  
*Tasted at LWTF May 2007*  
 The flowery fruit on the nose has an underlying mineral shale character. This complex mix comes through on the palate, the greengage and lime overlaid by a mineral flintiness. There is a lovely mix between fruit sweetness and tingling fresh acidity with a lovely racy length.
- Luccio White 2006** 91

**Pinot Grigio Chardonnay Sauvignon Blanc***Tasted at LWTF May 2008*

The nose has a lovely fragrance; elderflower and May blossom with a mineral shale character. The palate is fresh and fragrant with sweeter fruit coming through towards the mid palate, lots of complex flavours, lime and greengage but all overlaid with mineral and shale flint. The finish is flowery and lingers long.

**Luccio White 2008****92****Pinot Grigio Chardonnay Sauvignon Blanc***Tasted at LWTF May 2009*

The smokiness that one associates with Pinot Grigio is there on the nose backed by some richer melon and spiced up by gooseberry. The palate has depth of flavour, the sweet fruit refreshed by minerals and citrus.

**Luccio White 2009****90****2010-12****Pinot Gris***Tasted at the LWTF May 2010*

The nose is racy crisp with green lime freshness. On the palate the sweeter mix of tropical fruits gives more weight, a richer feel but then towards the back minerals and citrus refresh the finish.

**Riesling 2005****92***Australia Tasting January 2006*

Sweetness backed by limey acidity on the nose. An attractive mix of limes, apples and greengage spiced up with a perfumed fragrance on the palate. Sweetness and ripeness comes through on the mid palate and lasts well.

**Riesling 2006****93***Tasted at LWTF May 2007*

The lime fresh nose has a touch of herbal spice giving complexity. The palate is very flowery and fresh, lemon fragrances mixed in with richer, deeper greengage. All seems well balanced with the fruit lasting well.

**Riesling 2008****92***Tasted at LWTF May 2009*

The nose has an exciting herbal edge, spring flowers with hints of tropical fruit giving lots of fragrance. Lime and apple freshness is well balanced by slightly sweeter greengage but the finish is sleek and lemon fresh.

**Riesling 2009****91****2010-13***Tasted at the LWTF May 2010*

There is an attractive sweetness and depth of fruit on the nose. The same rich mix is there at the start of the palate white peaches and a tropical fruit mix but this richness of flavour is balanced by the freshness from the leafy herbal flavours and crisp apple.

- Riesling 2010** 91 2011-13  
*Tasted at the London Wine Trade Fair May 2011*  
 On the nose there are attractive floral fragrances lovely green lime backed by a leafy herbal character. The palate starts fresh with sweeter white peach filling out the middle and giving a richer feel towards the back.
- Riesling 2012** 91 2013-17  
*Tasted at the Royal College of Physicians November 2013*  
 Fresh floral and fragrant there is a lot happening on the nose and the start of the palate is leafy herbal with a racy freshness. There is more depth in the middle some sweet tropical fruits but the finish is steely citrusy and long.
- Riesling 2013** 92 2014-19  
*Tasted at the Australia Day tasting London January 2014*  
 Racy and fresh limes and lemons the nose has an attractive mix of flavours. There is depth on the mid palate a salad of tropical fruits but towards the back apple and citrus give freshness on the finish.
- The Merle Riesling 2008** 92 2010-13  
*Tasted at the LWTF May 2010*  
 The richness of white peach lends weight to the nose and a fleshy start to the palate. There are layers of flavour tropical fruits, peach all intermingling with fresher fruits, lime, lemon and apple. The back palate has depth and richness of flavour.
- The Merle Riesling 2011** 91 2014-18  
*Tasted at the LWF June 2014*  
 Fresh on the nose the green limes are backed by a touch of lemon. Hints of tropical fruits give mid sweetness a slightly richer feel the sweetness giving way to grassy citrus freshness at the back.
- Gill's Farm Viognier 2004** 93  
*Australia Tasting January 2006*  
 The nose has richness and sweetness of fruit, peaches and apricots. There is depth on the palate, a fruit salad of flavours with a mid-freshness that lifts and excites. The power and fragrance of fruit is there right to the end.

### Rosé Wines

- Luccio Sangiovese Rosé 2006** 89  
*Tasted at LWTF May 2007*  
 Red fruits fill the nose with lots of cherry and raspberry coming through on the palate. The mid freshness gives a lift to the fruit emphasising the flowery fragrances on the finish.



## Red Wines

- Red Mullet 2004** 92  
***Shiraz Sangiovese Merlot Tempranillo Cabernet Sauvignon***  
*Tasted at LWTF May 2007*  
 Complexity of fruit flavours and fragrance make for excitement on the nose. The light fragrance on the palate is deceptive as the mid palate has more weight and depth. Ripe redcurrants add to the fruit complexities. The finish is long with a flowery elegant feel.
- Red Mullet 2005** 92  
***Shiraz Grenache Mourvèdre Tempranillo***  
*Tasted at LWTF May 2008*  
 Very red fruited, lovely and fresh spiced up by a touch of black pepper. The fruit mix on the palate is fresh and floral with more weight showing in the middle, ripe redcurrant and raspberry with just a touch of herbal bramble. The finish is long and full of fruit.
- Red Mullet 2006** 91  
***Shiraz Mourvèdre Tempranillo Grenache***  
*Tasted at LWTF May 2009*  
 There is an underlying herbal spice to the red fruits that show on the nose. Sweet bilberry is refreshed by raspberry and redcurrant with towards the back fleshier mulberry giving some richness.
- Red Mullet 2008** 91 2011-15  
***Shiraz Tempranillo Grenache Mourvèdre***  
*Australia Tasting January 2011*  
 The nose has a complex mix of flavours at first red fruits dominate but the sweeter black fruits emerge from under. Fruit and tannins are ripe give a succulent richness in the middle but the freshness, the hints of herbal spice are there balancing and lifting the flavours on the finish.
- Red Mullet 2010** 89 2013-18  
***Shiraz Tempranillo Grenache Mourvèdre***  
*Tasted at the Royal College of Physicians February 2013*  
 The fruit mix on the nose feels ripe quite pepper minty in character. Ripe fleshy flavours enrich the mid palate but towards the back it is fresher with a strong pine needle and eucalyptus mix on the finish.
- Red Mullet 2011** 90 2014-19  
*Tasted at the Australia Day tasting London January 2014*  
 Brambles, red fruits the nose is fresh with a touch of pepper but the palate is sweet ripe fruited with layers of black and red fruits in the middle. It feels lighter and fresher at the back and finishes with an attractive hint of spice.

- Luccio Red 2003** 90  
***Sangiovese, Cabernet Sauvignon, Petit Verdot***  
*Australia Tasting January 2006*  
 The nose is packed with ripe cherry and sweet bilberry and cassis. There is lots of complexity on the palate with a depth of fruit in the middle and long flavours on the finish. The black cherry and sloe fruit has a touch of green pepper spice that lifts the flavours.
- Luccio Red 2004** 91  
***Sangiovese Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot***  
*Tasted at LWTF May 2007*  
 Fresh fragrant fruit on the nose, the dominant character is cherry but there is some black plum and bilberry in the background. The freshness comes through on the palate with a sweeter more plum flavour in the middle and towards the finish. The finish has a long and complex mix of fruits.
- Luccio Red 2005** 93  
***Sangiovese Cabernet Sauvignon Petit Verdot***  
*Tasted at LWTF May 2008*  
 The cherry and strawberry on the nose are backed by some fleshy black plum and sweet blackcurrant. The fruit on the palate is ripe and this combined with rounded tannins gives a fleshy richness and weight of flavour on the finish.
- Luccio Red 2008** 91  
***Sangiovese Merlot Cabernet Sauvignon***  
*Tasted at LWTF May 2009*  
 Although there is red cherry in evidence cassis and sloe seem to dominate the nose and show strongly at the start of the palate. Ripe black plum gives flesh on the palate refreshed and lifted by fresher black fruits.
- Luccio Red 2009** 90 2012-15  
***Sangiovese***  
*Tasted at the Royal College of Physicians June 2012*  
 There are some attractive fragrances on the nose floral and red fruited. Red cherry on the mid palate gives a firmer feel but there is sweet fruit behind some fleshy mulberry and bramble. The freshness towards the back gives the finish a lighter feel.
- Pinot Noir 2004** 91  
*Tasted at LWTF May 2006*  
 The mulberry on the nose has sweetness and fragrance with the firmer palate giving structure to the fruit. The power and firmness is balanced by fleshiness and then towards the back there is brightness from some attractive acidity.

- Pinot Noir 2005** **91**  
*Tasted at LWTF May 2007*  
 The fruit has an appealing fragrance with mulberry very dominant. Lovely balance on the palate, sweet flavours enhanced by rounded tannins with behind freshness that lightens and brightens the back palate.
- The Dogwalk 2003** **91**  
**Cabernet Merlot**  
*Australia Tasting January 2006*  
 Firm on the nose but there is depth of flavour at the back. The palate is concentrated with a depth of fruit, a mix of cedar wood, blackcurrant and black plum. The tannins are rounded yet structured and there is a lot happening on the finish.
- The Dogwalk 2005** **92**  
**Cabernet Merlot**  
*Tasted at LWTF May 2007*  
 Lovely rich, ripe fruit nose packed with black fruits, plums, bilberries and sloe. The richness of the fruit comes through on the palate, fat, full and fleshy, the fruit enriched by dark chocolate. There is some freshness and this gives brightness on the finish
- The Dogwalk 2008** **92** **2011-16**  
**Cabernet Merlot**  
*Tasted at the London Wine Trade Fair May 2011*  
 The nose has a mix of flavours with powerful black fruit appearing to dominate but behind is fresher bilberry and bramble. The ripe black plum of the Merlot fills out the mid palate quite supple and fleshy with towards the back blackcurrant taking over leaving the finish fresher.
- The Dogwalk 2011** **92** **2014-20**  
**Cabernet Merlot**  
*Tasted at the LWF June 2014*  
 Black plum gives the richness blackcurrant and bilberry the freshness a nice mix of flavours. Although the mid palate is full with sweet fruit fleshy and rich there is freshness at the back bramble and bilberry. The finish has all the sweet fruit power of ripe black plum.
- Shiraz 2002** **94**  
*Tasted at LWTF May 2005*  
 The nose is packed with sweet black fruits enlivened by pepper and spice. Soft and fleshy on the palate, the mix of bilberry, liquorice and black cherry is enriched by black truffle. Although soft and ripe on the palate there is a mid acidity that refreshes the fruit, giving purity and ensuring great length.
- Shiraz 2004** **93**  
*Tasted at LWTF May 2006*

There is a good mix of sweet black fruits and fresher more peppery red. The palate feels ripe, the rounded tannins giving suppleness and flesh. Lots of black fruits enrich the end palate but right at the back are hints of spice and black pepper.

**Eastside Shiraz 2004** 92

*Tasted at LWTF May 2006*

The sweetness of the red fruits is jazzed up by cracked black peppercorns. The fruit is lovely and ripe, some black fruits and then lots of fleshy strawberry. The richness of the fruit lasts well on the back palate.

**Eastside Shiraz 2005** 92

*Tasted at LWTF May 2007*

The nose is quite light, the red fruits backed by floral fragrance. Redcurrants and raspberries are in evidence on the mid palate, their sweetness balanced by an attractive underlying freshness. The fruit on the finish lingers fresh currant and raspberry spiced up by a hint of pepper.

**Eastside Shiraz 2008** 92 2011-16

*Tasted at the London Wine Trade Fair May 2011*

It is very fresh fruited with lots of spicy black pepper on the nose and start of the palate. There is more weight on the mid palate richer black fruited flavours but it is the red fruit freshness and the spice that gives brightness on the finish.

**Eastside Shiraz 2011** 91 2014-19

*Tasted at the Australia Day tasting London January 2014*

The nose has depth with sweet fruit ripe flavours all giving richness in the middle. Fresher at the back the red fruits very much to the fore the touch of black pepper giving spiciness on the finish.

**Eastside Shiraz 2012** 92 2014-20

*Tasted at the LWF June 2014*

Fragrant fresh red fruited the nose is light and the start of the palate is the same red fruited in character. The mid palate has more depth richer flavours more of a black fruit influence the finish is spicy with lots of black pepper.

**Shiraz Grenache Mourvèdre 2002** 91

*Tasted at LWTF May 2005*

The nose has a mix of spice, green herbal flavours and black pepper. There is an attractive freshness on the palate with a leafy fragrance. Sweet fruit fills the mid palate with the freshness showing again towards the finish. Lots of interest, herbal red fruits with fragrant pepper spice, lots of excitement.

**Shiraz Grenache Mourvèdre 2004** 92

*Tasted at LWTF May 2006*

The mix of red and black fruits has a herbal edge. The sweet fruit on the palate is well balanced by the acidity. The mix of fruit flavours is complex, first raspberry, then black cherry with a hint of liquorice, all these under pinned by a herbal green pepper spiciness.

**Pike and Joyce  
Lenswood  
Adelaide Hills  
South Australia**

### White Wines

**Pinot Gris 2005** 92

*Australia Tasting January 2006*

Light, flowery minerally fruit. Sweet feel to the palate with aromatic fragrances enhancing the peaches and green lime. The end is long and there is a sweetness of fruit right at the back.

**Sauvignon Blanc 2005** 92

*Australia Tasting January 2006*

The tropical fruits on the nose are backed by crisp gooseberry edge. The palate has a fragrance, a flowery mix of tropical fruit and lime. Sweetness shows in the middle but this is well balanced by a crisp acidity that lasts well.

**Chardonnay 2003** 95

*Australia Tasting January 2006*

The nose has a voluptuous mix of melon and greengage. The palate is very rich with ripe fruit but in the middle there is acidity that lifts the flavours and balances the sweetness. Rich and fleshy on the finish with a lovely depth and complexity of fruit

### Red Wines

**Pinot Noir 2003** 94

*Australia Tasting January 2006*

The nose has a mass of fruit with an exciting mix of flavours. Mulberry and plum mixed with raspberry and wild strawberry all give excitement and complexity. The palate is fleshy but not jammy and the end has length and weight of ripe fruit.

**Pinot Noir 2004** 95

*Tasted at LWTF May 2006*

Sweetness of fruit comes through on the nose but this is backed by a racy freshness. More red fruits than black on the palate, the raspberry and strawberry are mixed in with some mulberry and then right at the back there is a touch of plum. T is full and ripe but well balanced by freshness.

**Pinot Noir 2005****95***Tasted at LWTF May 2007*

The fragrance of the fruit gives the nose an attractive racy character, blackberry and bilberry supported by mulberry and cherry. The fruit is ripe giving sweetness on the mid palate with behind some fresh redcurrant and raspberry all ensuring a lighter feel on the lovely elegant finish.

**Pinot Noir 2006****95***Tasted at LWTF May 2008*

There is a very attractive mix of fruits on the nose, fresh mulberry the most dominant but behind is bilberry and bramble. The fruit feels ripe giving a sweet feel to the palate, towards the back more red fruits are in evidence refreshing and adding fragrance to the finish

**Pinot Noir 2007****92***Tasted at LWTF May 2009*

The first impression is one of red fruits but underneath is some black, light fresh and fragrant, bilberry and bramble. There is sweetness on the mid palate, richer mulberry and blackberry but freshness is very much in evidence lifting the finish.

**Plantagenet  
Mount Barker  
Western Australia**

**White Wines****Riesling 2002****90***Australia Tasting London January 2007*

Crisp green lime backed by light greengage, the palate has a mineral character with fragrant spiced perfume on the finish.

**Angevin Riesling 2016****89 2017-20***Tasted at the Liberty tasting The Oval September 2017*

Herbal fresh fruits both nose and palate are bright. There is a hint of sweetness under the freshness some ripe grapefruit the back palate light citrusy the finish leafy and fragrant.

**Chardonnay 2005****91***Australia Tasting London January 2007*

Lots of greengage, the nose is fresh but the sweetness of the fruit comes through on the palate. Ripe flavours with underlying freshness give complexity.

**Chardonnay 2012****91 2014-19**

*Tasted at the Australia Day tasting London January 2014*

The fruit is fresh lots of apple on the nose with grapefruit on the start of the palate. There is more depth in the middle some ripe greengage fleshy melon all underpinned and refreshed by apple on the back palate.

**Red Wines****Pinot Noir 2005****86***Australia Tasting London January 2007*

It is fragrant but very light and the palate rather hollow. Mulberry flavours appear but lack any concentration.

**Shiraz 2003****87***Australia Tasting London January 2007*

The fruit is sweet although the nose is fragrant there is a lack of depth. Better weight on the palate, still quite lightweight.

**Shiraz 2009****89****2014-18***Tasted at the Australia Day tasting London January 2014*

The fresh red fruited the nose has a mix of flavours peppery and spicy. There is a richer feel on the palate some ripe fruit but at the back the fresher fruits dominate leaving the finish quite light.

**Cabernet Sauvignon 2003****89***Australia Tasting London January 2007*

Fruit comes through on the nose, quite attractive weight at the start but the mid palate is light and a touch hollow just seems to lack the richness the nose suggests.

**Port Phillip & Kooyong Estates  
Mornington Peninsula  
Victoria**

**White Wines****Kooyong Beurrot Pinot Gris 2010****92****2011-14***Tasted at Lincoln's Inn July 2011*

The fruit is sweet giving a fleshy richness to the nose and a nice weight of flavour on the palate. Towards the back fresher fruits more citrus in character come through balancing the tropical fruit sweetness.

**Kooyong Clonale Chardonnay 2010****91****2011-14***Tasted at Lincoln's Inn July 2011*

The fruit on the nose is rich with ripe greengage very much to the fore. The palate has sweetness lots of honeydew melon but the mid palate is fresher with crisp apple lifting the flavours and balancing the richness.

**Kooyong Single Vineyard Faultline Chardonnay 2005** **90** **2011-13**

*Tasted at Lincoln's Inn July 2011*

It is very heavy with lots of sweet rich fruit on both nose and palate. Despite the mineral freshness that underpins the feeling is one of ripe fruit, fleshiness and sweetness at the back.

**Kooyong Single Vineyard Farrago Chardonnay 2005** **91** **2011-14**

*Tasted at Lincoln's Inn July 2011*

There is a lot of rich fruit on both nose and palate. The sweetness of the flavours gives richness weight on the nose and supple fleshiness on the palate. The richness is balanced by apple and flint freshness that gives a lighter brighter feel on the finish.

### Red Wines

**Kooyong Estate Pinot Noir 2008** **89** **2011-13**

*Tasted at Lincoln's Inn July 2011*

The sweetness of the fruit gives richness on the nose but it is all a bit too meaty. The sweet black cherry on the palate is underpinned by some red fruits and these tend to balance the richness and give a lighter more elegant feel on the finish.

**Kooyong Massale Pinot Noir 2008** **87** **2011-14**

*Tasted at Lincoln's Inn July 2011*

The red fruited freshness that features on the nose is not there on the palate which is over fat and rich. Under the sweetness there is some hard tannin that holds back fruit expression and shortens the finish.

**Kooyong Haven Pinot Noir 2005** **85** **2011-12**

*Tasted at Lincoln's Inn July 2011*

The fruit is drying out on both nose and palate with the black cherry and mulberry that shows overtaken by the leafy nuttiness of maturity.

**Kooyong Ferrous Pinot Noir 2005** **85** **2011-12**

*Tasted at Lincoln's Inn July 2011*

The sweetness of the nose does not really show on the palate which is dominated by firm slightly drying tannins. Sweet fruit does come through towards the back but the nutty maturity and drying tannins take over and dominate.



**Derek Smedley MW**