

Looking back, the journey began long ago on the other side of the earth. As an expat living in London, something about the treasure trove of international vinous offerings available seemingly at every corner 'off-license', expanded my somewhat shielded 'Californian' experience of wine.

An intense fascination was sparked, and consequently a need to learn about and taste wines from all over the planet –all the while marvelling in the diversity, complexity as well as the sheer power of a living liquid in a bottle being able to evoke such a sense of place and time. Not to mention the sheer olfactory and palate delight and wonder to be had when enjoying wine, whether it be on its own or matched with some morsel of match made in heaven!

This list is constantly evolving, as is our journey of discovery in wine. Nothing, besides drinking the stuff, brings us more joy than talking about it – so please feel free to chat about wine in any way, shape or form....

All our wines are carefully curated and respectfully handled for your enjoyment by our team and within our fastidious cellar environments. Please don't hesitate to ask if you would like something "off-list" as the cellar certainly may have some hidden treasures.....

Yours in Wine

Lou Perri

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WINES BY THE GLASS & A GLASS DISPENSED UNDER CORAVIN



Put simply, a thin, hollow needle slides through the foil and cork into the bottle. The bottle is then pressurised with argon (a harmless gas sans odor and taste), which pushes wine back out through the needle and into your glass without letting any oxygen into the bottle. Once the needle is removed, argon is left in its place (hence no oxidation), the cork reseals itself and the remaining wine continues to naturally age as if it was never touched. We are delighted to offer these fabulous wines by the glass for your enjoyment

Sparkling, Rose and White Wines by the GLASS-150ml pour

NV Emily Redbank Pinot Chardonnay Sparkling 200ml piccolo	(King Valley, VIC)	9
<i>Pale straw in colour with a persistent bead-creamy texture and fine line of citrus acidity ,crisp and refreshing finish.</i>		
2016 Ata Rangi Rose	(Martinborough, NZ)	14
<i>Full aromas of sweet summer red fruits meld with a touch of spice from Syrah and the plummy notes of Merlot in this 2016 release</i>		
2018 Saint Clair Sauvignon Blanc	(Marlborough, NZ)	11
<i>Passionfruit, gooseberries and citrus with grassy herbaceous notes-flavours of passionfruit, citrus, subtle herbaceous characters</i>		
2016 Domaine de Ladoucette Comte Lafond Sancerre	(Sancerre, France)	25
<i>Delicate floral notes followed by powerful mineral aromas- elegant bouquet, complex and typical of the richness of this great terroir</i>		
2017 Martinborough Vineyard Te Tera Pinot Gris	(Martinborough, NZ)	13
<i>Textural elements come to the fore, imparting pithy rich fruit that is beautifully balanced w/ a small amount of residual sugar.</i>		
2009 William Fèvre Bourgros Grand Cru (chardonnay)	(Chablis, France)	35
<i>Bourgros is regularly among the finest Fèvre releases- spicy, flinty with nuances of tropical fruit and layers of creamy fruit in the mouth</i>		
2017 Vasse Felix Premier Chardonnay	(Margaret River, WA)	13
<i>Bright nectarine and white peach fragrance- lightly grilled citrus, hazelnut, lanolin, spiced tea and a deeper parmesan biscuit complexity</i>		
2015 Dry River Chardonnay	(Martinborough, NZ)	25
<i>A crispy green hue encapsulates the golden core of this vibrant wine- typical flavours of citrus, white nectarine and hazelnuts are all there</i>		
2013 Etienne Sauzet Bourgogne (chardonnay)	(Bourgogne, France)	21
<i>Muted nose of lemon and honeydew. Beautiful palate. Lemon, lime, spice, gravel, almond paste, and vanilla. Great white burg at this level....</i>		
2012 MESH Riesling	(Eden Valley, SA)	16
<i>Zesty lemon and grapefruit with a hint of dried green herb and spice. The palate is lively and generous, with citrus fruit and hints of talc</i>		
2017 Russobruno Greco di Tufo	(Campania, Italy)	16
<i>Pale straw in colour, there are hints of green apple, apricot and a salinity finishing with a fresh palate minerally with crisp acidity.</i>		
2016 Salomon Weiden and Berg Gruner Veltliner	(Kremstal, Austria)	14
<i>Distinctly earthy notes-juicy, ripe, yellow pear and a savory, herbal touch- lovely wine with a very savoury finish</i>		
2009 Brokenwood Oakey Creek Semillon	(Hunter Valley, NSW)	22
<i>Beautiful colour, citrus and florals.. Beeswax and then 'toast'. Quite often a 'restrained' palate but plenty of citrus pith and perfect acidity .</i>		
2016 Marc Bredif Vouvray Classic (chenin blanc)	(Loire Valley, France)	15
<i>Fine bouquet, full aromas of white flowers and yellow fruit such as pears,citrus notes such as grapefruit. lovely wine, ripe and refreshing.</i>		
2016 Prunotto Roero Arneis DOCG	(Piemonte, Italy)	15
<i>Straw yellow in colour, intense and elegant aromas of white flowers, citrus fruit, white peach, hazelnuts with mineral notes on the nose.</i>		

Red Wines by the GLASS--150ml pour

2016 Vasse Felix Premier Shiraz	(Margaret River, WA)	13
<i>Aroma shows fine fresh raspberry and dark Mulberry, with hints of forest mushroom. Rich lively fruit with savoury complexities</i>		
2017 Rusden Ripper Creek Shiraz Cabernet	(Barossa, SA)	17
<i>Rich fruit characters of black berry, plum, liquorice and herb rub. Classic Barossa claret</i>		
2011 Rockford Basket Press Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	49
<i>Big, ripe, rangy and solid, with smoky, meaty black cherry and coffee flavors, echoing enticing mint notes on the long, harmonious finish.</i>		
2015 Rockford Moppa Springs GSM	(Barossa, SA)	16
<i>A fine example of southern rhone blend with aussie magic. Medium bodied , lots of dark fruit, needs some air at this point to highlight...</i>		
2013 Gaja Langhe Sito Moresco	(Langhe, Italy)	25
<i>Barolo style tar aroma, but a blend of (nebbiolo, merlot and cabernet). Rich and robust palate, flavours of black cherries, blueberries, chocolate and raspberries</i>		
2015 Isaac Fernandez Pingao (tempranillo)	(Rioja, Spain)	14
<i>Bitter cherry and cassis flavours that pick up hints of succulent herbs and candied flowers, delivering strong closing punch w/ dusty, slow-mounting tannins</i>		
2015 Yalumba Cigar (cabernet sauvignon)	(Coonawarra, SA)	15
<i>Lifted aromatics of spicy ripe blackcurrants w/ choc mint and liquorice- flavours of blackcurrant, dark chocolate and liquorice</i>		
2016/17 Dalrymple Pinot Noir	(Pipers River, TAS)	14
<i>Sweet summer fruits on the palate with structured fresh acidity and silky tannins which delivers a savoury complexity over time</i>		
2015 Palliser Estate Pinot Noir	(Martinborough, NZ)	19
<i>Full fruit, dark intensity and smooth and voluptuous mouthfeel, wrapping everything into a complete package. Great pinot at this price</i>		
2005 Bruno Clair Les Grass Tetes (pinot noir)	(Marsannay, France)	16
<i>Red cherry fruit, touch of darker, deeper fruit, floral notes-quite smoky and earthy. Medium bodied with underlying savour</i>		
2012 Marechal Auxey Duresses (pinot noir)	(Auxey Duresses)	20
<i>Wine displays floral, high toned aromas-shows all the concentration and elan you would expect from 2012. It's already quite irresistible to drink with its showy personality.....</i>		
2015 Domaine Joblot Servoisine 1er Cru (pinot noir)	(Givry, France)	23
<i>This bursts with appealing aromas of red cherry, woodsmoke and subtle new oak. The palate is juicy, fresh and laden with crunchy fruit.</i>		
2012 La Sufrenne Rouge (mourvedre)	(Bandol, France)	24
<i>A deep, opaque purple in colour. Scents of prunes, blueberries and woodsmoke. dry and savoury with well integrated tannins to produce a subtle yet lingering finish.</i>		
2015/16 San Guido La Difese (sangiovese)	(Toscana, Italy)	17
<i>Deceiving tart cherry, earth, mint, with medium tannins on the palate. Red cherries and cola. Light bodied wine ,great aroma and texture</i>		
2015 Ventisquero Queulat Carmenere	(Maipo Valley, Chile)	15
<i>A MUST TRY- Blackberry aromas with notes of black pepper, vanilla and soft smokey tones-herbs, incense, lavender, blackberry; easy-going, lengthy finish</i>		
2016/17 Pietradolce Etna Rosso	(Sicily, Italy)	18
<i>100% Nerello Mascalese. The red fruits here are crunchy and refreshing with floral, tobacco and mineral notes, the palate fine and elegant.</i>		

375ml CHAMPAGNE (Half Bottles)

NV Ruinart Blanc de Blancs (Reims, France) 95
Smooth and rounded on the palate. Pale gold in colour, beautifully balanced warm, fruity flavours. A very well made champagne

375ml WHITE and ROSE (Half Bottles)

2013 Albert Mann Cuvee Albert Riesling (Alsace, France) 45
Bright Straw Green, aromas of kerosene and blood orange, bright acidity with lingering lemon and cinnamon basil

2016 "The Florita" Riesling by Jim Barry (Clare Valley, SA) 48
Delicate floral aromas of citrus blossom, rose water, lime citrus and hints of green pear. Lime citrus is dominant with elements of pear and rose water with long lingering acidity.

2015 Muller Scharzhofberg (riesling) (Saar, Germany) 120
Gradually reveals gorgeously and beautifully integrated scents of cassis, grapefruit, pear and flowery herbs on the nose, finely spiced , oozes freshness and elegance, zesty acidity

2016 Salomon Undhof Kogl Riesling (Kremstal, Austria) 48
"Slightly herbal/ reductive, withheld nose. Smoky grapefruit. Salty, dry and stony, with restrained citrus fruit. Salty finish. Juicy and mouth-watering." Jancis Robinson

2014 William Fevre Fourchaume 1er Cru (chardonnay) (Chablis, France) 80
Aromatic bouquet of white flower and touch of fruit. Great acidity and that underlying mineral, slate tone. Great cru...

2017 Shaw + Smith M3 Chardonnay (Adelaide Hills, SA) 52
Stonefruit and citrus, contemporary and elegant. Flavours of nectarine and white peach mingle with flashes of grapefruit over roasted almond characters

2016 Yabby Lakes Chardonnay (Mornington Peninsula, VIC) 55
Pure and intense aroma with classic notes of citrus blossom and grapefruit pith. The palate is fine and complex, with great poise and concentration of flavour

2013 Vincent Girardin Meursault Narvaux (chardonnay) (Meursault, France) 72
Wine with great minerality. The mouth is often lively and full of complexity. Neighbouring Premier Cru parcel of "Les Genevrières" is a bonus!

2014 Pascal Jolivet Pouilly Fume (sauvignon blanc) (Pouilly Fume, France) 44
Vibrant yellow color with a dry focused nose of citrus and mineral. Wine is medium in body, precise and with clean, driving acidity.

2015 Vincent Pinard Les Flores (sauvignon blanc) (Sancerre, France) 60
One of the top, if not "the" producers in Sancerre with some of the best vineyard sites, Vincent Pinard is dedicated to his craft

2018 Saint Clair Sauvignon Blanc (Marlborough, New Zealand) 25
Outstanding Nose- pungent, herbal and floral with complex tropical palate. Mouth-watering acidity balanced by an elegant palate and a long lingering finish

2017 Brokenwood Semillon (Hunter Valley, NSW) 27
Crisp, fresh and zesty aromas and flavours, just as a young Hunter Semillon should have

2007 Baumard Savennieres "Clos St Yves" (chenin blanc) (Loire Valley, France) 48
Florent Baumard is one of the world's best winemakers, and you probably don't know him. That's because he produces rare but exceptional Chenin Blanc from the Loire Valley

2015 Mont- Redon Châteauneuf-du-Pape Blanc (Rhône, France) 70
One of the best white Chateauneuf du Papes - Crisp, fresh notes of white peaches, apricots, honeysuckle and quince are present in this lush, pure, mineraly, full-bodied, dry white

roses

2017 Triennes Rose (Provence, France) 29
Cabernet, Syrah, Cinsault, Merlot, Grenache and Viognier are the raw materials that make this Rose- driven by some of the best talent in

375ml RED (Half Bottles)

(shiraz and blends)

2017 Brokenwood Shiraz	(Hunter Valley, NSW)	38
<i>Red cherry/red earth fruit aromas and some vanillin oak. A perfect supple, medium bodied palate</i>		
2011 Rockford Basket Press Shiraz	(Barossa , SA)	98
<i>Big, ripe, rangy and solid, with smoky, meaty black cherry and coffee flavours, echoing enticing mint notes on the long, harmonious finish.</i>		
2012 Yves Cuilleron Cote Rotie Madiniere	(Northern Rhone, France)	99
<i>The wine is dark and tight, with intense aromas of thyme, licorice and smoked meat. The complexity continues onto the palate and underwrites serious ageing potential.</i>		
2013 Rene Rostaing Ampodium	(Northern Rhone, France)	145
<i>Sweet blackberry, wild herbs, pepper, spice and olive aromas and flavors. Full-bodied, beautifully textured and with impressive concentration (robert parker)</i>		

(cabernet and blends)

2012 Rockford Rifle Range Cabernet Sauvignon	(Barossa, SA)	57
<i>Typical elegant Rockford style. Blackcurrant fruit with savoury tones expressing the grape</i>		
2012 Mount Mary Quintet	(Yarra Valley, VIC)	125
<i>Red and black fruits –intense palate with vibrant cassis and redcurrant fruit and excellent french oak. Such a wine!!</i>		

(pinot noir)

2012 Domaine Pavelot Savigny-lès-Beaune 1er Cru La Dominode	(Burgundy, France)	69
<i>Bouquet of black cherries, wet underbrush, fresh herbs- dense and weighty. Dark fruit, earth, sous bois and espresso but with plenty of iron and slatey minerals at its core.</i>		
2012 Faiveley les Cazetiers 1er Cru	(Burgundy, France)	145
<i>Cherry fruit and earthy, savoury raspberry tone. good weight, spice and candied nose. Will benefit with some air so enjoy the expression in your glass slowly.</i>		
2013 Ata Rangitikei Pinot Noir	(Martinborough, NZ)	70
<i>This is as good as it gets outside of Burgundy, this wine is finesse and charm in a bottle!</i>		
2014 Valli Gibbston Vineyard Pinot Noir	(Central Otago, NZ)	55
<i>Grant Taylor is widely regarded as New Zealand's pinot guru. He produces top shelf single vineyard pinot noirs highlighting the sub regions of Central Otago- Enough said!</i>		

(grenache and blends)

2013 Guigal Cotes du Rhone	(Rhone, France)	27
<i>Deep and dark red. Shiny. Aromas of fresh fruits with red berries and spices. Full, round and racy. Rounded and smooth tannins. A full-bodied, rich and intensely aromatic wine.</i>		

375mls continued next page.....

(italian and french varietal stars)

2010 Macarini Brunate Barolo (<i>nebbiolo</i>)	(Barolo, Italy)	99
<i>DECANT this one. The nose is both powerful and subtle with earthy mineralogy. The palate is dark underlying fruit, hints of licorice, tar, tobacco, dark chocolate.</i>		
2012 La Sufrenne Rouge (<i>mourvedre</i>)	(Bandol, France)	59
<i>A deep, opaque purple in colour. Scents of prunes, blueberries and woodsmoke. dry and savoury with well integrated tannins to produce a subtle yet lingering finish.</i>		
2010 Conti Costanti Brunello Di Montalcino (<i>sangiovese</i>)	(Toscana, Italy)	135
<i>Unbelievably fragrant nose, intense cherry, spice, olive and violets. Great representation of the sangiovese grosso....</i>		
2011 Tignanello (<i>sangiovese</i>)	(Toscana, Italy)	120
<i>Dark fruit , aromatic finish; plum fruit dominates the aromatic gamut along with cherries, aromas evolve towards sensations of mint and liquorice. Divine</i>		
2015 Isola E Olena Chianti Classico (<i>sangiovese</i>)	(Toscana, Italy)	48
<i>A spicy, pure expression of Sangiovese and an authentic chianti classico</i>		

BIG BOTTLES FOR BIG GATHERINGS

Weddings, parties, anything....a big night out with your nearest, dearest collection of fellow humans calls for a BIG bottle. There's nothing like cracking open a magnum to really get a party started. And brace for the different and special experience that the added volume in the bottle brings to the wine

2009 Leeuwin Estate Art Series Chardonnay	1500ml	379
2011 Felton Road Block 5 Pinot Noir (Central Otago, NZ)	1500ml	380
2008/9 Rockford Basket Press Shiraz (Barossa, SA)	1500ml	465
2007 Cullen Diane Madeline (Margaret River, WA)	1500ml	420
2002 Kilikanoon Oracle Shiraz (Clare Valley, SA)	6000ml	1350
2004 Roda Reserva (Rioja, ESP)	1500ml	385
2004 Marcarini Brunate Barolo (Piemonte, ITA)	1500ml	380
2010 Home Block Cabernet by Rockford Wines (Barossa, SA)	1500ml	175
1998 Home Block Cabernet by Rockford Wines (Barossa, SA)	1500ml	225

SPARKLING & CHAMPAGNE

Australia and New Zealand

Rockford Sparkling Black Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	175
<i>Silky smooth and piercingly intense. Spicy, leathery perfume small berries, cherries and plums over meaty, rosemary like nuances</i>		
2011 Radenti Pinot Chardonnay Sparkling by Freycinet	(Bicheno, TAS)	99
<i>Surging fine bubbles, aroma of citrus fruit and beautiful complex bakery scents. Fine elegant palate unleashes lively stone and citrus fruit with creamy soft yeasty complex texture</i>		
NV Jansz Premium Cuvee Brut	(Pipers River, TAS)	49
<i>The wine displays intense citrus, stone fruit, strawberry and nut flavours showing excellent texture and refinement. And just look at the price. Superb value.</i>		

France

NV Pol Roger	(Epernay)	129
<i>A floral, pastry rich Champagne, Pol Roger Brut Réserve is blended from 30 wines from different vineyards and vintages. The result is a classic style of Champagne</i>		
NV Ruinart Blanc de Blancs NV	(Cote de Blancs)	184
<i>Smooth and rounded on the palate. Pale gold in colour, beautifully balanced warm, fruity flavour</i>		
NV Laurent Perrier Rose	(Reims)	176
<i>Intense, fruity and aromatic. The nose is fresh and subtle, ripe with cherry and freshly picked red berries, followed by a splash of flowers and spicy notes</i>		
2004 Krug		500
<i>It's floral with buttery biscuits, honey and citrus fruit, the latter coming through intensely on the palate. A grippy acidity binds it all together, and this tastes like a wine that can age and age.....</i>		
2006 Laurent Perrier	(Reims)	179
<i>Delicate beading and a subtle aroma with hints of fresh pineapple, dried apricots and almonds. Rounded on the palate, lively finish with hints of white peach and Mirabelle plum.</i>		
2009 Dom Perignon	(Epernay)	340
<i>Rich, voluptuous and creamy, the 2009 shows off fabulous intensity; aromas of oily toast characters, baked bread, roasted almonds, yeast lees and citrus...</i>		
NV ARMAND de BRIGNAC Brut Gold "Ace of Spades"	(La Marne)	590
<i>On the palate, the champagne has a sumptuous, racy fruit character that is perfectly integrated with the wine's subtle brioche accents. The texture is deliciously creamy, pairing rich depth with a long silky finish. Judged as the world's number 1 champagne....you be the judge.</i>		

Italy

NV La Riva Dei Frati Prosecco	(Veneto)	49
<i>Flavours of Apples and pears - quite fruity with a touch of cream. This is a wonderful Prosecco, lively and elegant with a great finish.</i>		
NV Enrico Gatti Franciacorta	(Lombardy)	89
<i>100% Chardonnay, is aged for 27 months (partially in wood) and is crisp and fresh with notes of almond and bread. Fresh, well balanced, persistent, notes of dried fruit and citrus</i>		

ROSE

2017 Rockford Alicante Bouschet "rose style wine"	(Barossa, SA)	49
<i>Bright Cherry and Strawberry - sweetness on the palate, yet refreshing and crisp. Perfect for a summer afternoon</i>		
2017 Triennes Rose	(Provence, France)	54
<i>Cabernet, Syrah, Cinsault, Merlot, Grenache and Viognier are the raw materials that make this Rose- driven by some of the best talent in France (DRC and Dujac)</i>		
2017 Pierre Yves Colin Morey Pinot Rose	(Beaune, France)	79
<i>Ripe cherry, plum, strawberry, raspberry and mushroom barnyard, cherry, plum, game and tomato. 100% Pinot Noir</i>		
2016 Ata Rangji Rose	(Martinborough, NZ)	59
<i>Full aromas of sweet summer red fruits meld with a touch of spice from Syrah and the plummy notes of Merlot</i>		
2016 Domaine Tempier Bandol Rose	(Bandol, France)	119
<i>The presence of Mourvedre gives this wine its strong character, balance and complexity. An intense fruit and floral nose make this an attractive rosé. The palate is rounded and full with fruity aromas of peach and pomegranate, followed by delicate spice notes and a pleasant freshness created by acidic balance.</i>		

CHENIN BLANC

It's hard not to love Chenin Blanc. Originating from the Loire Valley in France, it's high acidity gives it the superpower of producing extremely versatile wines ranging from bone dry to voluptuously sweet, resulting in it starring in food and wine pairings that will blow your mind

2016 Marc Bredif Vouvray	(Loire Valley, France)	65
<i>Nose is best described as elusive, tantalisingly so. Flavours of powder, flint, light tropical fruit, herbs and musk seem to emerge from the glass with intensity</i>		
1989 Marc Bredif Vouvray Grand Annee	(Loire Valley, France)	175
<i>What a great wine. This belies its age, with lovely mid green colour, intense fragrance of stewed apples-sweet apple flavours, with a backbone of nicely balanced acidity. Many years in front of it</i>		
2015 Andree Anjou Blanc	(Loire Valley, France)	129
<i>Bright citric, floral nose, with a gentle minerality. There is an enticing energy to the palate, displays a strident and minerally backbone</i>		

PINOT GRIS, GRIGIO, BLANCS AND THE LIKES

2017/18 Yabby Lakes Pinot Gris	(Mornington Peninsula, VIC)	72
<i>Pale yellow, with lifted aromas of green olive, wild honey, musk and pear- mouth filling, vibrant and savoury wine that is elegantly structured with sweet fruit, medium body, crisp</i>		
2017 Martinborough Vineyard Te Tera Pinot Gris	(Martinborough, NZ)	50
<i>On the palate the textural elements come to the fore, imparting pithy rich fruit that is beautifully balanced against a small amount of residual sugar.</i>		
2016 Tiefenbrunner Pinot Grigio	(Alto Adige, Italy)	54
<i>Light yellow to sandy-coloured, unobtrusive bouquet, and hints of pear and candied fruit. The strong harmonious structure emphasizes its dry full-bodied taste & round finish.</i>		
2015 Hugel Pinot Gris	(Alsace, France)	79
<i>Expressive aromas of peach and spring flowers. Concentrated and ripe but moderate complexity and depth. Off dry</i>		
2016 Franz Haas Pinot Bianco	(Alto Adige, Italy)	69
<i>Brilliant straw-yellow colour with notes of fruits and spices which recall ripe apples, elderflowers and fresh bread crust.</i>		

SEMILLON and BLENDS

Outstanding character – zesty and crispy in youth and then toasty, nutty and honeyed with such endless cellaring potential. And nice and light on the alcohol side too...such a smooth operator is Semillon

2005 Tyrrell's Vat 1 Semillon	(Hunter Valley, NSW)	220
<i>This is why we drink aged Semillon, toasty, buttery almond, breadth of citrus- iconic Aussie wine</i>		
2009 Brokenwood Oakey Creek Vineyard Semillon	(Hunter Valley, NSW)	99
<i>Beautiful colour, citrus and some florals.. Beeswax and then 'toast'. Quite often a 'restrained' palate but plenty of citrus pith and perfect acidity. Excellent</i>		
2017 Andrew Thomas Braemore Semillon	(Hunter Valley, NSW)	59
<i>This style is all about freshness, vibrancy and varietal purity. Delicate lemongrass and lime fruit characters with a zesty acidity. Perfect with freshly shucked oysters and sashimi</i>		

-Rockford Wines-

2008 Rockford Local Growers Semillon	(Barossa, SA)	89
<i>Golden colour, toasted and buttery citrus, touch of smokiness, deep and textured</i>		
2016 Rockford Local Growers Semillon	(Barossa, SA)	59
<i>Semillon with finesse and charm. Complex, smoky and floral aromas with a hint of butter. Drinking very well.</i>		

CHARDONNAYS

Australia and New Zealand

2017 Vasse Felix Premier Chardonnay	(Margaret River, WA)	67
<i>Bright straw-green; the aromatic bouquet and delicate fruit on entry into the mouth is quickly changed by the intensity, grip and length of the finish.</i>		
2010 Leeuwin Estate Art Series Chardonnay	(Margaret River, WA)	195
<i>Margaret River if not Australia's benchmark for Chardonnay- enough said!</i>		
2009 Leeuwin Estate Art Series Chardonnay	(Margaret River, WA) 1500m	379
2016 Vasse Felix Heytsbury Chardonnay	(Margaret River, WA)	165
<i>Grace and power, complex flavour, matchstick, grapefruit, steeliness, pulp and creamy,.....just a fabulous wine.</i>		
2015 Forest Hil Block 8 Chardonnay	(Mount Barker, WA)	88
<i>Bright straw. Complex array of fresh stone fruit, and wax notes with hints of flint. White nectarine, citrus and almond flavours persist on the palate. A Powerful mineral finish driven by natural acidity</i>		
2015 HolyMan Chardonnay	(Tamar Valley, TAS)	110
<i>This wine is showing lovely grapefruit, subtle white peach/stone fruits, with a rich fleshy palate. The flavours are lasting...outrageous</i>		
2015 Tolpuddle Chardonnay	(Coal River, TAS)	145
<i>A marvellous wine of great delicacy allied to great intensity. Creamy yeast lees aromas; fine, subtle citrus fruit scents. The palate is precise and focused, seamless and harmonious- 100% malolactic (huon hooke)</i>		
2013 Savaterre Chardonnay	(Beechworth, VIC)	104
<i>Revealing grapefruit, white peach, pear, acacia, intense stony minerality, slate, gun smoke and a hint of lime blossom, gardenia and truffled honey.</i>		
2013 Giaconda Estate Chardonnay	(Beechworth, VIC)	225
<i>A wine of staggering power, intensity and concentration, all the components - fruit, acidity, oak - are in perfect balance, WOW!</i>		
2016 By Farr Cote Vineyard GC Chardonnay	(Geelong, VIC)	155
<i>The wine has an amazing smoothness and calmness that stretches the length of the palate, surrounded with textured fruit and mineral elements...</i>		
2013 Bass Philip Estate Chardonnay	(Gippsland, VIC)	119
<i>Floral aromas, melons, citrus and nuts. Backbone of natural acidity. Pronounced minerality. Long palate. This one has additional earthiness and longer cellaring potential.</i>		
2015 Dry River Chardonnay	(Martinborough, NZ)	110
<i>A crispy green hue encapsulates the golden core of this vibrant wine- typical flavours of citrus, white nectarine and hazelnuts are all there</i>		
2016 Felton Road Block 2 Chardonnay	(Central Otago, NZ)	119
<i>Crushed sea shells and delicate citrus blossom lead the focussed and detailed nose. The palate follows with a salinity and minerality that is subtle, complex and intriguing</i>		

Italy

2016 Isole e Olena Collezione Privata	(Tuscany, Italy)	109
<i>Aromas of toasted almonds with buttery notes- great balance between rich, ripe fruit, creamy brioche and complex minerality. A full-bodied mouth extends through to long finish</i>		

Burgundy, France

Origin- it's so relevant, particularly in this instance. I recall reading this commentary many years ago whilst travelling: "Wine made from the Chardonnay grape is far and away the most popular wine in the world, enjoyed by novice and sophisticated connoisseur alike. And if you are one of them and have never experienced the superb perfection it can achieve in Burgundy, you owe it to yourself to explore this rarefied world. It won't be a cheap journey but I guarantee that you will never think about wine the same way again." Nick Passmore

2014 Meo Camuzet Clos Saint Philibert	(Burgundy)	140
<i>It's white Burgundy, people don't seem to know much about this wine so you might just find it on the list of a good restaurant. This is ridiculously good, not cheap, but great</i>		
2011 Domaine Ramonet Puligny Montrachet Enseigner	(Puligny)	280
<i>Has an enticing aroma of fresh Arum lillies, chalk and pure white peach. Precise and elegant, so beautiful</i>		
2009 Olivier Leflaive Bienvenues Batard Montrachet	(Puligny)	520
<i>Predominant character of honeysuckle from freely expressing itself, along with the background traces of spice and citrus, rich, generous and delicious. This stylish effort is really quite forward, especially within the context of the appellation and it should drink well relatively early on.</i>		
2012 Vincent Girardin Meursault les Genevrières 1^{er} Cru	(Meursault)	164
<i>Excellent concentration, highly seductive and opulent flavors, minerality adds a bit of lift to the utterly delicious and balanced finish and it's complex and delicious.</i>		
2012 Domaine Faiveley Meursault 1er Cru Charmes	(Meursault)	245
<i>Elegant aromas of ripe peach, pear and roasted hazelnuts,-rich, generous and plump-buttery and well textured. Great expression</i>		
2012 Domaine Rollin Corton Charlemagne	(Corton Charlemagne)	379
<i>Great nose and some serious fat on the palate, Nice and steely. Very pure. Good austerity- accessible for a Corton-Charlemagne. Medium-full body. Good grip. Long and stylish.</i>		
2013 Heitz Lochardet Chevalier Montrachet	(Chevalier Montrachet)	950
<i>Precise, cool and intense mineral-driven flavours possess a highly refined mouth feel, all wrapped in a strikingly persistent and linear finish.</i>		

-Etienne Sauzet-

2009 Etienne Sauzet Puligny Montrachet 1er Cru Les Combettes	(Puligny)	395
<i>Smells like honey and floral, Some citrus. Very rich, plush tropical fruit and tasty oak. This site exudes Grand Cru personality and remains as a highlight for anyone seeking exceptional puligny magic without taking the next step.</i>		
2011 Etienne Sauzet La Garenne 1er Cru	(Puligny)	300
<i>There is a subtle touch of wood to the ultra-pure and fresh aromas of cool white orchard fruit, floral, spice and citrus nuances. There is good vibrancy to the round and delicious medium-bodied flavors that are blessed with good levels of dry extract before culminating in a lightly mineral-inflected finish that again offers fine if not truly distinguished depth on the lingering finish. (burghound)</i>		

-Francois Mikulski-

2014 Francois Mikulski Bourgogne	(Burgundy)	99
<i>Mikulski produces elegant wines that are highly sought after and can be hard to find. They start life pale in colour and are typically nervy and tight- worth a serious look</i>		
2014 Mikulski Bourgogne Aligote	(Burgundy)	65
<i>A strong core of fruit aroma, good centre of acidity here and a crystalline aspect to the fruit. This is a good wine with no overly savoury aspects that Aligoté can sometimes deliver</i>		
2012 Francois Mikulski Meursault	(Meursault)	170
<i>Spice bread on the nose. A width of beautifully balanced flavour. Not many words needed here – super wine from great producer</i>		
2011 Francois Mikulski Poruzots 1er Cru	(Meursault)	350
<i>Very minerally nose. The generous body in the wine adds a comforting component on the palate, there is a real richness, a real chewiness, again cream, meat and citrus, you can drink and eat this wine</i>		
2011 Francois Mikulski Genevrieres 1er Cru	(Meursault)	390
<i>The almost surreal floral sensuality of Genvrières, excited by the presence of citrus fruit. With air, the wine is peppery, musky, the description of the citrus or the flowers that make up the nose of the wine is impossible to make</i>		

-Domaine Roulot-

2009 Domaine Roulot Luchets	(Meursault)	390
<i>Elegant citric nose, lifted and mineral. Fresh and delicate yet concentrated and has grip and minerality; deliciously pure fruit and good length</i>		
2011 Domaine Roulot Meursault 1er Cru Clos des Bouchères	(Meursault)	745
<i>Ripe peach with floral notes and subtle spice aromas. Very elegant textures with good concentration-fun fruit and spice on the palate-very good drinking for some time</i>		

-Domaine Leflaive-

2011 Domaine Leflaive Bourgogne	(Bourgogne)	94
<i>Fruity, floral and toasted, it features a round and coating mouth feel along with lovely tension.</i>		
2010 Domaine Leflaive Puligny Montrachet 1^{er} Cru Le Clavoillon	(Puligny)	295
<i>One of two producers to work this vineyard, virtually monopole. Wish I could drink more of Leflaive's wines, others agree</i>		
2009 Domaine Leflaive Les Folatieres 1^{er} Cru	(Puligny)	400
<i>Golden yellow; chalk, lemon, lovely nose; good acidity, highly rich, wide body, lots of taste, zesty; long aftertaste. All you could dream of from a Burgundy white.</i>		

-William Fevre-

2014 William Fevre Chablis 1^{er} Cru "Montee de Tonnerre"	(Chablis)	139
<i>Pure, elegant and airy nose of white flowers and oyster shell notes that is a step up in overall elegance ,intense minerality with grace and refinement</i>		
2008 William Fevre Valmur Grand Cru	(Chablis)	195
<i>Elegance of the nose is simply stunning with a perfumed aromatic profile , minerality , concentrated and palate staining flavors that possess a striking and explosively long finish</i>		
2009 William Fevre Les Preuses Grand Cru	(Chablis)	190
<i>Bougros is regularly among the finest Fèvre releases- spicy, flinty with nuances of tropical fruit and layers of creamy fruit in the mouth</i>		

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2014 Christian Moreau Les Clos Grand Cru	(Chablis)	175
<i>This could not be mistaken for anything other than Chablis as there is plenty of typicity to the white fruit and floral scented nose. There is also excellent size, weight, power and richness to the middle weight plus flavors that exude ample minerality on the overtly saline and hugely long finish. This is flat out terrific and is a classic expression of the vineyard. (burghound)</i>		

RIESLINGS, GRÜNER VELTLINERS and MOSCATO

As the illustrious Jancis Robinson has proposed – Riesling could be viewed as “the finest white variety in the world” on the basis of its longevity and ability to clearly express terroir. Not a big call at alland one we passionately concur with. Enough said.

riesling, Australia

Rockford Wines

2017 Rockford Riesling (Eden Valley, SA) 57

Light straw-green; tight, fine lime and apple blossom aromas, moving into slate and mineral on the palate; long and fine finish

2005 Rockford Riesling (Eden Valley, SA) 74

Honey, inky floral, honeysuckle, preserved lemon. Hessian sack, creamy white florals. Developed, and interesting.

2003 Rockford Riesling (Eden Valley, SA) 88

2012 MESH Riesling (Eden Valley, SA) 70

Zesty lemon and grapefruit with a hint of dried green herb and spice. The palate is lively and generous, with citrus fruit and hints of talc

2006/7 Pewsey Vale Contours (Eden Valley, SA) 94

Contours style of lemon and lime fruit. Intense flavours, almost nutty. Full bodied, will undoubtedly evolve for many years. Recently tasted both vintages in the vineyards...divine.

2004 Crawford River Reserve (Henty, VIC) 135

Aromas of lime blossom and nashi pear, followed by floral notes and more luscious cashew and brioche undertones. textured palate, extremely long on the finish.

2017 O’leary Walker Polish Riesling (Clare Valley, SA) 54

Lime with hints of lemon and fennel, great fruit purity, refreshing acidity and beautifully balanced. Hard to go past this proposition.

riesling, germany

2014 Dr Burklin Wolf Altenburg “trocken” (Wachenheim) 95

Restrained and a little unsettled, but with an early promise of fine herbal and mineral aromas. The palate manages to impress already with concentrated stone fruit, a gentle rather than compact mineral contribution and invigorating acidity.

2014 Egon Müller Wiltinger Braune Kupp “kabinett ” (Saar) 109

Ripe Peach morphed into slate minerality, then into a cooler nectarine profile. A powerful wine with great balance and wow factor

2013 Donhoff Leistenberg “kabinett” (Nahe) 83

Complex and very mineral nose leading to a medium-bodied, dense, juicy, piquant and salty Kabinett with power and persistency. This is a highly complex, salty, and persistent wine.

2016 Dr Loosen Wehlenher Sonnenuhr “kabinett” (Wehlen) 79

I just love wines from this vineyard. Sugar and acidity just fighting for supremacy but really just finding this amazing balance to leave you wanting more and more...just love it.

riesling, alsace

2007 Trimbach Frederic Emile (Alsace) 195

Citrus zest, fruit pit, huckleberry, and white pepper- juicy lime, tangerine, and kiwi. Crushed stone and mineral add depth to an invigoratingly and tenaciously lingering finish

2007 Kientzler Riesling Grand cru “Geisberg” cuvee exceptionelle (Alsace) 149

The Geisberg is immense and rivals with the greatest wines of the world-ripe and opulent, with a wisp of smokiness to the fruit

gruner veltliner, austria

2016 Bernhard Ott Gruner Veltliner Fass 4 (Feuersbrunn) 69

“Fass 4”, a Cuvée featuring the fruits from the top Feuersbrunn sites is a multi-layered wine of fantastic drinking pleasure from a top producer.

2015 Nikolaihof Grüner Veltliner 'Zwickl' (Wauchau) 135

The wine-on-top is oyster and delicate and birchy. The cloudy one is “darker,” more boxwood and cress. It’s fun! You can shake this wine up a little. It will be cloudy and yummy

moscato, italy

2017 Alasia Moscato di Asti (Asti) 49

Heady and Delicious, off-dry, crisp and intensely aromatic. Classic Moscato di Asti!

SAUVIGNON BLANC

Sancerre is the home of this very popular varietal. New Zealand has created some very popular demand and the combined effort appears to be pleasing many palates. We should all explore the complex and intriguing Sancerres produced by some leading producers whilst appreciating that NZ's style and conviction has certainly made us take notice.....there is no such thing as bad publicity!

2017 Saint Clair Sauvignon Blanc	(Marlborough, NZ)	46
<i>Passionfruit with a floral lift- rich palate with passionfruit and a salty minerality. This wine has a silky luscious texture with a long finish</i>		
2017 Deviation Road Sauvignon Blanc	(Adelaide Hills, SA)	55
<i>Outrageous lift of grapefruit mixed with fragrant gooseberries. Scents of fizzing limes lemongrass, mouth-filling pithy grapefruit ,mineral</i>		
2016 Andre Dezat	(Sancerre, France)	86
<i>Expressive with citrus, white flowers and exotic fruit aromas. lovely light acidity between fruit aromas, freshness and vanilla</i>		
2015 Vincent Pinard Le Chateau	(Sancerre, France)	140
<i>One of the top if not "the" producers in Sancerre with some of the best vineyard sites, Vincent Pinard is dedicated to his craft</i>		

-Francois Cotat-

2013/14 Francois Cotat Mont Dames Sancerre	(Sancerre, France)	178
<i>Aromatic with citrus and floral elements, very natural with some mineral notes as well. Depth of flavour and crispness without intruding acidity. A really beautiful wine</i>		

INTERESTING WHITE VARIETALS & BLENDS WORTH A LOOK

On smaller patches of land from terroir far away come some wonderful little gems from grapes whose names don't roll off the tongue. But sniff and slurp and swallow them and smile you will

Garganega- Fiano di Avellino- Greco di Tufo - Arneis

2015 Pra Monte Grande Soave Classico	(Verona, Italy)	74
<i>Aromas are of golden apples and peaches-lightly spiced with notes of lightly dried lavender and medicinal herbs- fruit is mature and the wine has a long finish of sweet almond</i>		
2016 Prunotto Roero Arneis DOCG	(Piemonte, Italy)	55
<i>Straw yellow in colour with golden reflections, intense and elegant aromas of white flowers, citrus fruit, white peach, hazelnuts with mineral notes on the nose.</i>		
2017 Russobruno Greco di Tufo	(Campania, Italy)	68
<i>Pale straw in colour, there are hints of green apple, apricot and a salinity finishing with a fresh palate minerally with crisp acidity.</i>		

Vermentino

2017 Pala Fiori Vermentino	(Sardinia, Italy)	55
<i>Floral with great acidity. Tropical, fresh, youthful, hint of stonefruit, smooth, approachable, good length and refreshing long finish</i>		

Melon de Bourgogne

2016 Domaine De La Pepiere Clos de Briords	(Muscadet, France)	59
<i>old-vine cuvee -this is my kind of Muscadet- textbook with everything you would expect, lemon, apple and great salinity.</i>		

Rousanne

2015 Chave Circa St Joseph	(Northern Rhone, France)	140
<i>Almond and floral aroma, fresh nectarine, salted butter, verbena and mineral notes-long elegant finish</i>		
2016 Domenica Roussanne Marsanne	(Beechworth, VIC)	90
<i>Voluptuous wine, rich and exotically spicy, floral, and edged with the ever present mineral spine of Beechworth granite.</i>		

OTHER RED VARIETALS AND BLENDS WORTH YOUR CONSIDERATION

Let us take you on a journey of grapes less travelled in this neck of the woods that will get your senses soaring and your mind wandering to a spectacular viticultural amphitheatre in Corsica or perhaps a small and ancient vineyard located high above the Strait of Messina in North East Sicily. Just sip and close your eyes...

Carmenere

2015 Ventisquero Queulat Carmenere	(Maipo Valley, Chile)	52
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A MUST TRY- Blackberry aromas with notes of black pepper, vanilla and soft smokey tones-herbs, incense, lavender, blackberry; easy-going, lengthy finish

Tempranillo

2015 Isaac Fernandez Pingao	(Rioja, Spain)	55
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Bitter cherry and cassis flavours that pick up hints of succulent herbs and candied flowers, delivering strong closing punch w/ dusty, slow-mounting tannins

Mondeuse

2015 Trosset Mondeuse Confidential	(Savoie, France)	84
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*This is from the oldest vines at Trosset, some 80 years old. It has deep and resonant aromas of blackberry, spice and licorice with lifted and **attractive** scents of lavender. A true mountain wine, it is virile and forthright with real vibrancy and depth.*

Malbec and Blends

2006 Wendouree Malbec	(Clare Valley, SA)	129
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Opaque purple-crimson, very slightly hazy; strong plum jam varietal expression on the bouquet; an unexpectedly fresh medium-bodied palate; very fine tannins."halliday"

2005 Wendouree Shiraz Malbec	(Clare Valley, SA)	169
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2010 Wendouree Shiraz Malbec	(Clare Valley, SA)	199
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A rich and deep bouquet, notes of plum, licorice and cocoa; subtle leather and wild blackberry jam and subtle tannin

2015 Chateau de Cedre Heritage	(Cahors, France)	54
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Dark, ruby colour and violet hints, intense smells of cassis, violet and spices. Straightforward on the palate, with pure and clear acidity, wrapped in mellowness.

Sangiovese

2017/18 Frederick Stevenson Sangiovese	(Adelaide Hills)	75
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A lighter and more fragrant expression of the variety but a good deal of tannin and acidity to provide ample seriousness & interest

2015/16 San Guido La Difese	(Toscana, Italy)	70
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Deceiving tart cherry, earth, mint, with medium tannins on the palate. Red cherries and cola. Light bodied wine with great aroma and texture

2014 Piandarino by Pian Dell'Orino	(Montalcino, Italy)	89
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Deceiving tart cherry, earth, mint, with medium tannins on the palate. Red cherries and cola. Light bodied wine with great aroma and texture

2010 Pian Dell'Orino Versante Amiata Brunello di Montalcino	(Montalcino, Italy)	390
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Stylistically, Pian dell'Orino draws considerable inspiration from the wines of Gianfranco Soldera. The approach can be best described as one of minimal intervention in both the vineyards and cellar where the wines are aged mostly in large casks. Next door to Biondi Santi and all the right inputs to make this a blockbuster..

Barbera- Cesanese- Corvina- Gaglioppo- Nerello Mascalese

2016 Pietradolce Etna Rosso	(Sicily, Italy)	69
<i>100% Nerello Mascalese. The red fruits here are crunchy and refreshing with floral, tobacco and mineral notes, the palate fine and elegant.</i>		
2015 Damiano Ciolli Silene	(Lazio, Italy)	60
<i>Think perfumed red berry fruit and dried roses, notes of earth, wild herbs and aromatic spice. An original, charming and complex wine that will make you think about Cesanese.</i>		
2014 La Grola by Allegrini	(Valpolicella, Italy)	75
<i>Opaque ruby red in color with arresting aromas of wild berries, juniper, tobacco, and coffee. On the palate the wine is rich, elegant, and full-bodied</i>		
2014 Scala Ciro Rosso	(Calabria, Italy)	64
<i>Ruby-red colour, powerful and persistent fragrance. Well-balanced and harmonic flavour with an evident typical note of Gaglioppo.</i>		
2016 Stella Barbera "Stravisan"	(Piemonte, Italy)	72
<i>Ripe red berry fruit with spicy aromas and aniseed and the palate is rich with beautiful texture and length</i>		

GRENACHE and THE BLENDS

2014 Guigal Cotes du Rhone	(Rhône, France)	49
<i>Deep and dark red. Shiny. Aromas of fresh fruits with red berries and spices. Full, round and racy. Rounded and smooth tannins. A full-bodied, rich and intensely aromatic wine</i>		
2014 Lino Ramble Treadlie GSM	(McLaren Vale, SA)	62
<i>Raspberries and cherries, dried herb, hazelnuts. Medium bodied, nutty, glycerol feel but with slate. Succulent. Long. Chateauneuf eat your heart out." - Gary Walsh (The Wine Front)</i>		
2016 Noon Eclipse	(McLaren Vale, SA)	110
<i>A grenache with sheer power and elegance. Cardamom, pepper and a touch of dark chocolate, Bold but beautiful</i>		
2006 Font De La Figuera	(Priorat, Spain)	94
<i>Excellent deep ruby colour with an open sweet bouquet of black cherries and the classic Priorat mineral tones</i>		
2015 Olivier Riviere GANKO	(Rioja, Spain)	110
<i>Cassis notes with leather and tobacco undertones. abundant fruit, refined tannins and a rich finish of roasted coffee. Spent many years working with Telmo Rodriguez</i>		
2015 Rockford Moppa Springs GSM	(Barossa, SA)	69
<i>Great example of a GSM blend from a great producer, you be the judge.....</i>		
2010 Vieux Telegraphe Chateauneuf du Pape Le Crau	(Southern Rhone, France)	240
<i>Deep, dark, dense ruby wine. Nose of herbs, earth, salt, and ripe rich fruit. Palate is rich, savoury, and loaded –standout from Chateauneuf!</i>		

-Mont Redon-

2007 Mont Redon Chateauneuf du Pape	(Southern Rhone, France)	150
<i>Inky deep hue. The rich and complex nose displays ripe black fruit character along with some refined toasted notes. The dense full bodied palate shows a great fruit concentration and a tight but fine tannic structure with some black truffle aromas in the finish. Long, Long finish.</i>		
2000 Mont Redon Chateauneuf du Pape	(Southern Rhone, France)	200
1989 Mont Redon Chateauneuf du Pape	(Southern Rhone, France)	275

NEBBIOLO AND BLENDS

Nebbiolo haunts us- so mysterious and yet so captivating and it's a real home body. The vines are deeply rooted in the soils of Piemonte, Italy continually displaying a resistance to any relocation. It displays aromas that are truly unique and mesmerising! From the top crus it will leave you wanting more and more. Pinot Noir lovers generally love to explore this varietal- fortunately they are two very different propositions providing us with just another excuse to explore....

nebbiolo, italy

2010 Fratelli Alessandria Barolo (Barolo) 120
Pale crimson. So fragrant and heightened rose. Tannins somewhat softened –exceptional value from this top vintage

-Gaja-

2005 Gaja Barbaresco (Barbaresco) 350
Displays elegant floral and smoky tar nose- hints of leather and tobacco as well. Beautifully balanced, incredibly long and plenty of time on its side...divine!!

2001 Gaja Conteisa (Langhe) 375
Perfumed Nebbiolo with lovely soft tannins, tons of cranberries and raspberries, rose petals and the mouth filling whoooooosh. Excellent

2006 Gaja Sori San Lorenzo (Langhe) 790
Sori San Lorenzo is the most powerful, structured and masculine of Gaja's three single vineyard wines from Barbaresco. This wine is simply outrageous! Initially, a very restricted and tightly held nose....30 hours later, it was simply the most expressive wine I have come across, intense rose, lavish violet, savory herbs and mesmerizing smoke...extraordinary!!

2010 Ca Rome Maria Du Brun (Barbaresco) 215
Garnet red in color. Complex and ample nose with aromas of violet and underbrush. Full, velvety and very balanced-pairs well with meat, game and cheese.

2001 E. Pira e Figli Chiara Boschis Via Nuova (Barolo) 255
Dark red, Soft, muted aromas of black cherry, bayleaf, and rosemary. The wine is round and full on the palate but well proportioned.

2004 Macarini Brunate (Barolo) 189
Mature fruit, spice, natural rubber, asphalt, tar, root beer. a "grand cru" of Barolo and undoubtedly a producer who over-delivers for the \$

2004 Marcarini Brunate (Barolo) 1500ml 380

2006 Poderi Colla Dardi Le Rose Bussia (Barolo) 195
Very complex bouquet showing decided character and personality, albeit without aggressiveness. Mineral & animal notes enrich its structure and layered complexity

2006 Aldo Conterno Cicala (Barolo) 340
Austere Barolo, fruit is dark and intense, while the aromatics tend towards menthol, pine, spices and balsamic. Finishes with a blast of roasted coffee beans, licorice and mint.

2013 Gaja Langhe Sito Moresco (Langhe) 99
Barolo style tar aroma, but a blend of nebbiolo, merlot and cabernet. Rich and robust palate, flavours of black cherries, blueberries, chocolate and raspberries

nebbiolo, australia

2012 Giaconda Nebbiolo (Beechworth, VIC) 165
Magenta to blood red in colour. Earthy with lingering notes of rose petals, black cherry, cold tea and twigs. Savoury tannins, bold yet beautifully classic example of the Nebbiolo

2013 S.C Pannell Nebbiolo (Adelaide Hills, SA) 89
Medium bodied, cherry, blackcurrant and some earthy, leathery tones. Awesome nebbiolo from Australia, possibly the best....

2015 Domenica Nebbiolo (Beechworth, VIC) 100
Dark cherry, dried roses and a subtle mint/gum leaf fragrance, brown spices and earth. Full-bodied, yet has finesse, a controlled power, with sheets of rusty tannin and black tea

CABERNET, MERLOT, AND BLENDS

2015 Yalumba Cigar	(Coonawarra, SA)	64
<i>Lifted aromatics of spicy ripe blackcurrants alongside some choc mint and liquorice notes flavours of blackcurrant, dark chocolate and liquorice followed by a touch of mint</i>		
2007 Moss Wood Cabernet Sauvignon	(Margaret River, WA)	235
<i>Massive palate of dark fruit, cassis and tannins, densely fruited and fine tannins with violet and herbal character, cedar complexity. Excellent cabernet not to be missed</i>		
2011 Voyager Cabernet Merlot	(Margaret River, WA)	99
<i>Displays sweet dark and red berry fruit with earthy gravelly notes- graphite and bayleaf , The wine is rich and complex with great length and balance</i>		
2012 Primo Estate Joseph MODA Cabernet Merlot	(Mclaren Vale, SA)	140
<i>The fruit is concentrated so that it loses around 15% of its weight-inspired by the Italian Amarone technique creates an opulent, brooding wine. Plum and spice intermingle with forest berry fruits, lurking below are deep currents of raisins and cigar-box.</i>		
2013 Flowstone Queen of The Earth Cabernet Sauvignon	(Margaret River, WA)	160
<i>It has a texture and structure all of its own, verging on velvety, yet reminding me that the cassis, black olive and dried bay leaf only could only come from cabernet (Halliday)</i>		

Cullen Wines

2017 Cullen Cabernet Merlot	(Margaret River, WA)	72
<i>This outstanding Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot from the 2017 vintage displays densely flavoured ripe dark fruits complemented by discrete fine-grained tannins. It was matured in French oak barrels for 6 months, of which 30% were new</i>		
2004 Cullen Diane Madeline	(Margaret River, WA)	285
2009 Cullen Diane Madeline	(Margaret River, WA)	240
<i>Dense, mulberry red Bouquet: concentrated fresh rich cherry and plum flavours- perfect balance by the excellent tannins. Great structure, length and persistence</i>		
2007 Cullen Diane Madeline	(Margaret River, WA) 1500ml	420
<i>Black fruits of the forest, cherry clafouti and hints of cocoa- dark cherries mingle on the palate with rich dark chocolate and hints of mint , soft, velvety finish</i>		
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2008 Parker First Growth Cabernet Sauvignon	(Coonawarra, SA)	169
<i>Essence-like cassis fruit ahead of mint, dried leaves and some plum fruits too-The palate is beautifully concentrated and shows terrific power, real intensity here, yet elegance</i>		
1996 Penfolds Kalimna Bin 42	(Barossa, SA)	1150
<i>Exceptional vintage conditions in the Barossa Valley in 1996 presented Penfolds winemakers with the opportunity to make this one-off, special bin wine in the tradition of the legendary Bin 60A, Bin 7 and Bin 90A. Penfolds Kalimna Block 42 was made from a single block - Block 42 - of the renowned Penfolds Kalimna vineyard, the oldest Cabernet Sauvignon vineyard in Australia. The wine was made from the same 110-year-old patch of vines from which came Max Schubert's 1953 Grange Cabernet. Penfolds Block 42 is a captivating example of a single block of high-quality Kalimna Cabernet Sauvignon, featuring concentrated varietal flavours, complexity of balanced oak and a fine tannin finish.</i>		
2007 Penfolds Bin 389	(South Australia)	175
<i>Raspberry, dark stone fruit, oak on the nose. Raspberry, blackberry and some tar and black pepper after...</i>		
1998 Penfolds 707 Cabernet Sauvignon	(Barossa, SA)	690
<i>This is an opaque red/black colour and has a beguiling nose of rich fruit (blackcurrant and berry fruits), chocolate, coffee and sweet, spicy American oak. Superbly rich...</i>		
2009 Wendouree Cabernet Sauvignon	(Clare Valley, SA)	220
<i>This is a very muscular cellaring style with dark chocolate mint fruit characters and fine sinewy tannins- 10 years on, you be the judge!</i>		
2012 Noon Reserve Cabernet	(Langhorne Creek, SA)	145
<i>Blackcurrant, tobacco, chocolate powder, warm spices, sweet juicy raisins. Fine, soft tannin. Momentum of warm fruit rushes out through the finish</i>		

Mount Mary Wines (Yarra Valley, VIC)

The inspiration behind the planting of vines in the Yarra Valley came from the Swiss settlers of the 1850's. These worldly and hard working immigrants had been greatly influenced by the French wine producers and recognised the climatic parallels the Yarra Valley shared with Bordeaux and Burgundy. John and Marli Middleton further were also greatly inspired to produce wines as fine as those from Bordeaux and Burgundy. We hope you enjoy these great examples of ridiculously under priced Bordeaux!

2004 Mount Mary Quintet	(Yarra Valley, VIC)	290
2006 Mount Mary Quintet	(Yarra Valley, VIC)	272
2010 Mount Mary Quintet	(Yarra Valley, VIC)	250

Yarra Yering Dry Red No.1 (Yarra Valley, VIC)

Yarra Yering Dry Red No 1 – a Cabernet dominant Bordeaux blend with lashes of Merlot, and dollops of Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot-has a bright blackcurrant fruit characters, savoury complexity and fine grained tannins. The wines age for between 10 and 20 years easily, developing some of the most extraordinary exotic, gamey nuances over time.

We have the following vintages available for your enjoyment:

2003 Yarra Yering Dry Red no. 1	(Yarra Valley, VIC)	189
2009 Yarra Yering Dry Red no. 1	(Yarra Valley, VIC)	220
2010 Yarra Yering Dry Red no. 1	(Yarra Valley, VIC)	170
2012 Yarra Yering Dry Red no. 1	(Yarra Valley, VIC)	165

Rockford Wines (Barossa Valley, SA)

"Wine is crafted, not created. The skill is to capture and enhance the fleeting flavours that grapes give from their variety and extract from the earth, then bottle these as a living record of the vintage they represent. Rockford wines are made from established Barossa varieties which form an important part of our winemaking heritage, in a style that best reflects the vineyards, the winemaker's attitude and the climate in which we live" - The Rockford Story by Robert O'Callaghan

2015 Rockford Rod and Spur "Cabernet Shiraz"	(Barossa, SA)	79
2006 Rockford Rod and Spur "Cabernet Shiraz"	(Barossa, SA)	110
2001 Rockford Rod and Spur "Cabernet Shiraz"	(Barossa, SA)	130

Ripe and long flavours on a medium palate, with a hint of savouriness. Fine tannins in balance with fruit and acid

2012 Rockford Rifle Range Cabernet Sauvignon	(Barossa, SA)	120
<i>Superb examples of Barossa cabernet. Balanced, ripe, generous and yet honed and persistent. Precision power. Flavours of blackberry, cassis, dust and dark chocolate build towards a twisting finale. It makes the asking price look cheap (halliday)</i>		
2006 Rockford Rifle Range Cabernet Sauvignon	(Barossa, SA)	149
2001 Rockford Rifle Range Cabernet Sauvignon	(Barossa SA)	190
1998 Rockford Cabernet Sauvignon	(Barossa, SA)	200

2010 Home Block Cabernet by Rockford Wines	(Barossa, SA) 1500ml	175
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Bordeaux

This region is undoubtedly the World's most famous and the French love it , albeit not many get to drink it. The 1855 Medoc Classification which highlights the 1st -5th growths still stands 160 years later. The wines across this region are predominately merlot and cabernet based. When they are within the optimal drinking window they are ridiculously deep and stimulating expressions of cabernet and merlot. Always best to explore these wines with some entertaining people as you will need the time.....

2007 Chateau Pavie	(St Emilion)	525
<i>Strong violet notes-blackberry, licorice, coffee bean, vanilla and plum. An outstanding expression of Pavie given the vintage</i>		
2015 Chateau Cantenac	(St Emilion)	105
<i>75% merlot. Blueberry and mineral on the nose, with hints of fresh flowers. Full and layered, with superpolished tannins and a long finish.</i>		
2003 Chateau Certan de May	(Pomerol)	245
2008 Chateau Certan de May	(Pomerol)	299
<i>Truffle, cocoa powder, violets and cherries grab your focus. The soft, silky textures and sweet, fresh, red berries leave a good impression on your palate. This seems like it's going to get even better with age.</i>		
2009 Chateau Bernadotte	(Haut Medoc)	79
<i>Cedar, dark berries, cassis. There are concentrated, dark blackberry fruit with firm tannins in this wine that is all upfront pleasure.</i>		
2001 Pontet Canet	(5th Pauillac)	390
<i>Ripe, smooth and sweet. Quite pure, with some elegance. Fresh with some minerality and fine chalky notes. Nice red cherry and plum fruit and a bit of tannic grip</i>		
2003 Pichon Longueville Comtesse de Lalande	(2nd Pauillac)	345
<i>Intoxicating scent. Classic tobacco, cedar, dark berries. Fine tannins. Still young but outstanding now nonetheless-Exceptional value considering today's prices!!</i>		
2009 Lynch Bages	(5th Pauillac)	630
<i>Smoky vanilla oak, dark cherries, cassis and cedar. Tannic, structured and filled with ripe, juicy cassis aromas of liquorice, dark berry fruit and subtle oak</i>		
2010 Chateau Haut Bages Liberal	(5th Pauillac)	180
<i>Deep dark opaque purple and a full body to match. Nose of fruit and tobacco. Dark fruit flavor with a nice finish. What will this be like 10 - 20 years from now....</i>		
2003 Chateau Lafite Rothschild	(1st Pauillac)	2200
<i>We achieve true greatness in this wine and particularly this vintage. As close to perfection as wine will allow.....</i>		
2005 Langoa Barton	(3rd St Julien)	365
<i>Vibrant nose of cassis, cola, tobacco and leather. Medium body, great palate with super silky tannins and long finish. Will benefit from a decant..</i>		
2005 Chateau Lagrange	(3rd St Julien)	345
<i>Medium body, great structure. still very young. dark fruit with emerging tobacco and cedar flavours. Classic St Julien, decant...it just gets better and better.....</i>		
2001 Leoville Las Cases	(2nd St Julien)	630
<i>Absolutely delish! Very smooth, wonderful fruit - for a 17 year old wine it is very fresh and vibrant! Long, wonderful finish - beautiful soft/gentle tannins. Amazing!</i>		
2001 Chateau Ducru Beaucaillou	(2nd St Julien)	400
<i>Beautiful, deep colour, dark fruit, cedar, tobacco, cocoa. dark spices, dried herb, black cherry, light smoke and earth and minerals. Elegant yet powerful</i>		
2000 Chateau Leoville Poyferre	(2nd St Julien)	510
<i>Outstanding wine. very dark and dense ruby, dense-packed violets, high quality ripe dark fruits aroma with earthy-leather-tobacco notes</i>		
1999 Chateau Margaux	(1st Margaux)	1125
<i>Creamy truffle, floral, violets, tobacco, cocoa, coffee, creamy cassis, blackberry, cigar box.....absolutely divine wine and drinking superbly</i>		

Burgundy, France

Burgundy is where it all started and continues to this very day...the desire and uncontrollable urge to experience the heights pinot noir offers. I love the journey and absolutely love the experience I encounter with every expression. It can be a little overwhelming at times, virtually navigating through the specific vineyards and the respective families that produce this wonderful stuff. Bring on the challenge, it is undoubtedly my stimulus (fortunately) to pursue and seek out my next experience...this is a truly wild and yet so fulfilling experience.

2013 Meo Camuzet	(Bourgogne)	99
<i>Old World Burgundy from fabulous domaine.....</i>		
2005 Meo Camuzet Fixin	(Fixin)	175
<i>Very ripe red berry and currant aromas with plenty of the classic Fixin earth character that gives way to sappy and mouth coating flavours that are relatively forward and tender.</i>		
2015 Domaine Joblot Servoisine 1er Cru	(Givry, France)	115
<i>This bursts with appealing aromas of red cherry, woodsmoke and subtle new oak. The palate is juicy, fresh and laden with crunchy fruit</i>		
2010 Geantet Pansiot Gevrey Chambertin	(Gevrey -Chambertin)	179
<i>Lovely intensity and energy here, hedgerow flavours bursting on the palate, finishing with hints of chocolate and spice.</i>		
2011 Domaine G. Roumier Chambolle Musigny	(Chambolle Musigny)	295
<i>Expressive nose is attractively elegant with its red berry fruit profile The silk-textured and vibrant medium weight flavors are very Chambolle in style before terminating in a lingering and firm finish that is slightly clipped at present.</i>		
2012/13 Hubert Lignier Vieilles Vignes Chambolle Musigny	(Chambolle Musigny)	200
<i>50 year old vines. Red cherry, rhubarb, musk, baking spice, floral nose and medium bodied- relatively inexpensive for Chambolle.</i>		

-Catherine and Claude Marechal-

This estate is without doubt one of the best kept secrets in Burgundy. The 2012 Chorey-les-Beaune is great as usual, almost the standard bearing red wine at this estate. Has more flesh and richness next to the sheer elegance of the Auxey Duresses. This has the Allen Meadows "inner mouth perfume" and fans out with lovely persistence and freshness. Super burgundy

2012 Marechal Chorey les Beaune	(Beaune)	130
2012 Marechal Auxey Duresses	(Auxey Duresses)	110

-Domaine Dujac-

1996 Dujac "Aux Combottes" 1^{er} Cru	(Gevrey-Chambertin)	435
<i>Funky and dark nose. Velvet and balsam textures. Fruit, touch of mocha. All of these elements harmonised in a equilateral triangle of balance. Incredibly suave with a really nice weight as well. Really complete, even intense. Great stuff</i>		
1996 Dujac Bonnes Mares	(Bonnes Mares)	1195
<i>Raspberry essence, expensive perfume, lavender and sweet spices. Excellent fruit energy, balance and seamless- this is why we looove burgundy!</i>		
1996 Dujac Clos St Denis	(Clos St Denis)	945
<i>Bright leaf tobacco with some complimentary smells of saddle leather and fall spices (nutmeg and cinnamon) as well as prune syrup-leathery and herbaceous tea qualities- how divine!!</i>		
2014 Dujac Clos de La Roche	(Clos de La Roche)	820
<i>A deft touch of wood frames an intensely earthy, complex and notably ripe nose that features notes of spice, plum and black currant. There is excellent richness, size, weight and muscle to the vibrant middle weight plus flavors that exude a fine extract on the mineral-driven finish that offers extraordinarily good length. This is primary to the point of being quite backward yet it is not hard or aggressive as the balance of structural elements is impeccable and I particularly like the sense of tension, energy and backend lift that makes this already enjoyable to drink though it's nowhere near ready. "burghound"</i>		
2005 Dujac Morey St Denis	(Morey St Denis)	250
2011 Dujac Morey St Denis 1^{er} Cru	(Morey St Denis)	295

-Domaine Faiveley-

Erwan Faiveley has certainly made some changes in the past 10 years – all for the better in my opinion. Although Erwan claims 2012 may have been the “turning point” we believe it may have happened sooner so we decided to highlight some of these gems.....

2009 Faiveley Mercurey 1^{er} Cru 'Clos des Roy'	(Mercurey)	94
<i>Concentrated and a bit monolithic now. Firm tannins are wrapped around a center of cherry and blackberry notes. Vibrant and long, with a spicy, cherry aftertaste</i>		
2011 Faiveley Clos de Issarts 1^{er} Cru	(Gevrey –Chambertin)	199
<i>The nose has aromas of very ripe fruits ,fiery liquorice notes and underbrush.This is an elegant, well-balanced wine with very good long-lasting aromas.</i>		
2012 Faiveley Nuits Saint Georges "Les Damodes" 1^{er} Cru	(Nuits-Saint Georges)	220
<i>Complex nose of spice, fruit compote and earthy minerality. Powerful, expansive and minerally, it has crunchy red fruit and high acidity with some tannic grip</i>		
2011 Faiveley Nuits St Georges Les St Georges	(Nuits-Saint Georges)	375
<i>Rich and rounded, it offers hints of spice, red cherry fruits and a firmly, tannic edge. The aftertaste brings out a jammy richness</i>		
2010 Faiveley Clos St Denis Grand Cru	(Morey St Denis)	480
<i>A very limited production bottle from an amazing site</i>		

-Domaine Duroche-

2005 Duroche Lavaux St Jacques 1^{er} Cru	(Gevrey -Chambertin)	169
<i>Red berry nose nuanced by hints of earth and underbrush, very pure aromas and great vintage</i>		
2005 Duroche Charmes Chambertin Grand Cru	(Gevrey-Chambertin)	259
<i>Great Vintage, Effort and Price from this Fantastic Grand Cru site.</i>		

-Bruno Clair-

Bruno Clair symbolizes structure and grace and is undoubtedly one of Burgundy's true greats. His fellow growers consider him one of the greatest of their ranks. They admire his attention to detail in the vineyard. His wines show no ego or even style, but just seem to be true to the essence of each individual vineyard. Enjoy

2009 Bruno Clair Gevrey Chambertin Clos De Beze	(Gevrey Chambertin)	945
<i>A highly spiced nose of Gevrey-style earth, underbrush, iron and stone adds ample breadth to the ripe red currant and plum aromas. The broad-scaled flavors possess superb concentration with evident volume and power as well as plentiful amounts of palate staining dry extract, all wrapped in a balanced, generous and gorgeously long finish. This has the potential to be an exceptionally special effort. Note: two-thirds of the vines were planted in 1912 and the remainder in 1973. (burghound)</i>		
2005 Bruno Clair Cazetiers 1^{er} Cru	(Gevrey Chambertin)	390
<i>This is even more aromatically complex with an appealing savage character to the spicy red, black, plum and violet aromas that complement to perfection the ripe, powerful and muscled flavors that carry real size and weight on the textured, long and serious finish. This is a classically proportioned and robust Gevrey to cellar and forget for a decade but it will be worth the wait (burghound)</i>		
2005 Bruno Clair Chambolle Musigny "Les Verailles" 1^{er} Cru	(Chambolle Musigny)	340
<i>Such an elegant wine, exhibiting florals, clove spice, red berries and stone quality. Structure. Drink it slow as you will regret it once you get to the last glass</i>		
2009 Bruno Clair Champ Perdrix	(Vosne Romanee)	220
<i>A lightly spiced and solidly complex nose offers up notes of red and blue pinot fruit as well as hints of violet, rose petal and earth. High-quality villages that is worthy of your attention. "mr meadows"</i>		
2009 Bruno Clair Clos St Jacques	(Gevrey Chambertin)	495
<i>That hedonistic experience one encounters when drinking great red burgundy can be found here...overwhelmed to find the words..</i>		

2007 Meo Camuzet Clos Du Chapitre 1^{er} Cru	(Fixin)	210
<i>Straight wine with a lot of minerality. This wine, deep in colour and with frequent black fruit aromas, fresh and subtle nose and its frank character</i>		
2005 Chanson Pommard Eponets 1^{er} Cru	(Beaune)	165
<i>Overflowing in the mouth with small berried fruits: raspberries, strawberries, redcurrants, red cherries and integrated expensive spicy oak</i>		

-Lost For Words Producers-

Should the idea of losing yourself and perhaps, your bank account, in a euphoric pinot noir experience take hold..... look no further. A few examples of the greatest producers in burgundy or perhaps the world

2009 Domaine du Comte Liger-Belair Aux Cras 1^{er} Cru (Nuits-Saint-Georges) 790

An expressive and quite fresh nose features beautifully layered aromas of ripe red berry fruit, wet stone and earth. There is excellent vibrancy and detail to the restrained middle weight flavours that possess plenty of underlying tension on the balanced, long and really quite stylish finish. This is a classy and sophisticated effort that offers excellent length and focused power. "burghound"

2006 Armand Rousseau Chambertin (Chambertin) 2300

"There is excellent freshness and vibrancy to the pure, round, rich and focused full-bodied flavors that carry obvious muscle and minerality on the deep, powerful and hugely long finish. This is an extremely impressive effort and one of the finest wines of the vintage. Not surprisingly, this hasn't changed a great deal since my last review except that the length is now even more phenomenal and the supporting tannins are a bit more apparent"(burghound)

2011 Domaine de la Romanee Conti Echezeaux (Echezeaux) 2600

A discreet touch of wood sets off the gorgeously floral, ripe and wonderfully spicy nose of red currant, menthol, black cherry and cassia aromas. There is impressive volume and richness to the naturally sweet, silky and mouth coating medium weight flavors that are shaped by fine-grained tannins on the firm, complex, balanced and strikingly persistent finale that really fans out as it lingers on the palate. This wine continues to make really impressive progress. (burghound1

2009 Domaine de la Romanee Conti Prince Florent de Merode Corton (Corton) 2900

This was brooding from cask and now that it's in bottle, it's still a brooding and introverted effort with a clearly sauvage nose of deeply pitched plum and a variety of purple fruit aromas that are liberally sprinkled with earth and spice nuances that introduce rich, powerful and robust big-bodied flavors that are dense and quite serious, all wrapped in a complex and well-muscled finish. A classic Corton built to age and it will definitely need it.

Australia and New Zealand

2016/17 Dalrymple Pinot Noir (Pipers River, Tasmania) 64

Sweet summer fruits with nicely structured fresh acidity and silky tannins which in time delivers a savoury complexity typical of these sites

2015 Freycinet Pinot Noir (Swansea, TAS) 130

Alluring aromas of spicy black cherries, ripe raspberries and plum fruits combine with a subtle perfume of game, truffle and cedar .

2015 Tolpuddle Pinot Noir (Coal River, TAS) 150

Intensely aromatic, balanced with savoury spice notes from whole bunch fermentation, along with purity of varietal expression

2015 Yabby Lakes Block 2 Pinot Noir (Mornington Peninsula, VIC) 155

Black fruits, spice, brambly and intense. Rich with red and blue fruits, layers of flavours and texture roll in unison with the tightly-packed tannin

2010 Kooyong Meres Pinot Noir (Mornington Peninsula, VIC) 139

Flavours of liqueur cherry and blood orange a-tightly structured and focused palate with incredible length and tannin: this will mature

2012 Bass Philip Premium Pinot Noir (Gippsland) 295

Philip Jones is considered, by many, to be the custodian of the finest Pinot Noir in Australia.....I leave you with this fine example

2013 Tout Pres By Farr (Geelong, VIC) 160

With every year that passes, the Tout Pres vineyard's subtleness and delicate fruit structure are becoming increasingly pronounced in the wine. The bouquet fills the glass with spicy fruit, mineral elements and a hint of integrated French oak, with the darkness and essence of the Moorabool Valley true expressions of site. This wine exhibits primary and secondary flavours, which strengthen the overall integration for a seamless finish. It is a tightly packed combination of plums and undergrowth with an edgy acidity—and one of our favourite drops.

2013 Savaterre Pinot Noir (Beechworth, VIC) 159

Florals and perfumed fruits lifting through the spice. Cherry-plum here, some cranberry, twigs and herbs, chicory. Woodsmoke. Deli meats. It's all going on here

2006 Mount Mary Pinot Noir (Yarra Valley, VIC) 245

Pinot with delicate floral perfume of raspberries, cherries, red plums and restrained cedary oak, subtle presence of undergrowth and dried herbs, cloves, nutmeg

-Felton Road-

2014 Felton Road Pinot Noir Bannockburn	(Central Otago, NZ)	125
<i>If you haven't tried their Pinot, you should wait no longer and if you have.....nothing needs to be said.</i>		
2012 Felton Road Pinot Noir Block 5	(Central Otago, NZ)	199
<i>Same as above however.....not sure if we are dancing within the same ballroom....block 5 certainly knows the fox trot!</i>		
2010 Felton Road Cornish Point	(Central Otago, NZ)	149
2011 Felton Road Block 5 Pinot Noir	1500ml	380
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2013 Valli Bannockburn Pinot Noir	(Central Otago, NZ)	125
<i>Grant Taylor is widely regarded as new Zealand's pinot guru. He produces top shelf single vineyard pinot noirs highlighting the sub regions of Central Otago- Enough said!</i>		
2012 Ata Rangī Pinot Noir	(Martinborough, NZ)	140
<i>Sleek tannins, vivid plum, stone and black cherry fruits coupled with intriguing dark chocolate and savoury notes- a Martinborough champion</i>		
2008 Dry River Pinot Noir	(Martinborough, NZ)	195
2011 Dry River Pinot Noir	(Martinborough, NZ)	175
2013 Dry River Pinot Noir	(Martinborough, NZ)	190
<i>One of NZ's if not the world's greatest Pinot Noirs- nose seems quite fragrant and pure – flowers, cherries/black fruit, potpourri and black olives with a touch of sweetness.</i>		
2015 Palliser Estate Pinot Noir	(Martinborough, NZ)	79
<i>Full fruit, dark intensity and smooth and voluptuous mouthfeel, wrapping everything into a complete package. Great pinot at this price point</i>		

SHIRAZ, SYRAH AND BLENDS

2016 Vasse Felix Shiraz	(Margaret River, WA)	67
<i>Medium weight with an elegant mouthfeel -palate has flavours of spicy black cherries, subtle liquorice, dried meats and black olives with a peppery overlay. Very fine grained tannins.</i>		
2018 MADA Syrah Nouveau	(Canberra, ACT)	68
<i>cool climate Syrah, fermented with a touch of Grenache and Gewurtztraminer. The wine is juicy and fresh, showing raspberry, a bit of red apple, mulberry, spice, and slight aromatic notes</i>		
2016 BONDAR Violet Hour	(McLaren,SA)	70
<i>Excellent dark purple-red hue, highly fragrant with dark fruits, savoury spices and remains on a medium-bodied frame - it has plenty of depth. Succulent, velvety tannins, a long finish, seductive and leaves you wanting more."</i>		
2010 Castagna Genesis Syrah	(Beechworth, VIC)	169
<i>Dark berries pulse across the bouquet and palate, with fine vanillin/cedary oak, dried herbs and sweet spices. Wonderful length, primary dark fruits and vibrant acidity endure throughout the complex finish.</i>		
NV Sami Odi Little Wine no. 7	(Barossa, SA)	145
<i>An unvintaged 'assemblage' composed of casks from 2017 (43%), 2016 (38%), 2015 (15%) & 2012 (4%). Exclusively sourced from our treasured plots within the Hoffmann's 'Dallwitz' vineyard from vines planted in 1996, 1995, 1960 & the oldest vines planted prior to 1912.</i>		
2016 The Standish by Standish Wine Co.	(Barossa, SA)	195
<i>Inky black thing this is, almost impenetrable. Grilled meat, lavender, blueberry and blackberry, dark spices and vanilla. Full bodied, thick with sheets of dense, compact tannin, almost a slaty feel here, well-bedded acidity, and for all the thunder, there's something of a petrichor perfume going on in the mouth, along with scrub herbs. The finish rolls on and on, and is slick with tannin, and fresh 'mineral' acidity. Enriched by glorious tannin, fragrance and spice of Shiraz, and regional earthiness. (Gary Walsh , Winefront)</i>		

-Greenock Creek Wines-

2012 Greenock Creek Alices Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	93
<i>Outstanding super saturated inky black purple colour. Good lift with perfumed scents of liquorice allsorts, aniseed and dark plum followed by some smoky vanillin oak</i>		
2012 Greenock Creek Apricot Block	(Barossa, SA)	119
<i>It's big and lushish with an intriguing nose of berries and a touch of star anise- in a word, fantastic!</i>		

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2011 Brokenwood Graveyard Shiraz	(Hunter Valley, NSW)	315
<i>Vanillan oak is evident with sufficient fruit to balance. Fruit characters are in the red savoury spectrum, almost cherry compote- medium bodied palate with plenty of sweet fruit.</i>		

2008 Henschke Hill of Roses	(Eden Valley, SA)	440
<i>Aromas of Satsuma plums, briary mulberry, exotic spices are entwined with Dutch liquorice, black pepper, herbaceous rosemary, sage nuances, hints of cedar, anise and roast meats.</i>		

-Penfolds -

1992 Penfolds Grange	(South Australia)	1200
2005 Penfolds Grange	(South Australia)	1050
2007 Penfolds Grange	(South Australia)	925

Liquorice dominates the palate and there is also a flavour reminiscent of chocolate-coated Turkish delight.. Ripe, silky tannins combine with chocolaty cedar, spicy black pepper, ripe fruits of citrus, plum, and blueberry, with liquorice savouriness and creamy flavours lingering. What a treat!

2008 Penfolds St. Henri Shiraz	(South Australia)	185
<i>Scents of Provencal herbs, bay leaves, blackberries, black currants, new saddle leather, and loads of meaty characteristics. Rich, texturally opulent and soft</i>		

2012 RSW Shiraz by Wirra Wirra	(McLaren Vale, SA)	98
<i>Lifted wild plums, blueberries and dark cherries leap from the glass.-dark bitter chocolate and aniseed are surrounded layers of fine vanilla bean and roasted almond from oak</i>		
2012 Noon Reserve Shiraz	(Langhorne Creek, SA)	150
<i>Boasts great intensity, superb richness, and a glorious perfume of camphor, acacia flowers, blueberries, and blackberry liqueur-WOW!</i>		

-Kilikanoon Wines-

2006 Kilikanoon Oracle Shiraz	(Clare Valley, SA)	189
2012 Kilikanoon Oracle Shiraz	(Clare Valley, SA)	135
<i>Powerful, rich, concentrated blackberry, earthy fruit, ripe tannins</i>		
2002 Kilikanoon Oracle Shiraz	(Clare Valley, SA) 6000ml	1350

-Andrew Thomas-

2015 Andrew Thomas Sweetwater Shiraz	(Hunter Valley, NSW)	88
<i>The Sweetwater shiraz is true to form with its distinctive floral notes of violets and potpourri. Plump and juicy wine, red earth of the Hunter, quite pretty</i>		
2014 Andrew Thomas Kiss Shiraz	(Hunter Valley, NSW)	185
<i>Deep garnet-purple color and intense aromas of ripe cassis, black cherries, cracked black pepper, lavender, cloves and sage- pure fruit and spices layers , aniseed as well</i>		

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2006 Maurice O Shea Shiraz	(Hunter Valley, NSW)	165
<i>Sweet red and black berry fruit entry. The palate is dense with sweet fruit and underlying vanillin oak that supports chocolate fruit tannin and good length of flavour.</i>		

-Great International Examples-

2014 Dom des Chirats Rockpile	(Sonoma)	120
<i>Dark in red hues, on the edge and purple deep center with Herbs de Provence, sweet black and red fruits with liquid minerality.</i>		
2006 Rene Roistang la Landonne	(Cote Rotie)	400
<i>Intensely expressive and perfumed nose. Black pepper, bright florals. notes of dark fruit, spices, smoke, red flowers, bacon. Don't rush!</i>		
2016 Alain Verset Cornas	(Cornas)	195
<i>Brilliant violet. A complex bouquet evokes ripe black and blue fruits and floral pastilles, along with licorice, cracked pepper and olive accents-, offering intense boysenberry, bitter cherry and spicecake flavors supported by a spine of zesty acidity.</i>		
2013 Auguste Clape Cornas	(Cornas)	265
<i>Amazingly intense. Nose of sweet ink, stone, 'mud', prune, and dark berry. Huge palate at the same time sweet and burnt fruit. Lots of extract. Like drinking dark fruit juice. Huge but interesting</i>		
2010 Guigal Hermitage	(Hermitage)	169
<i>Aroma of bacon, herb, violet and liquorice. Silky tannins. Savoury palate with black pepper and herbs- an absolute steal for hermitage!</i>		
2000 Jean Louis Chave Hermitage	(Hermitage)	950
<i>More forward, open and textured, the 2000 Hermitage is an almost promiscuous effort that's just hard to resist. According to Jean-Louis, this wine has never shut down and has always delivered plenty of pleasure. It has classic cassis and blackberry fruit, bacon fat, violets and herbs to go with a full-bodied, layered and seamless, if not voluptuous style on the palate. Rating: 96 Points; Drink 2014-2024; Issue #214, Date: August 2014, Jeb Dunnuck - Robert Parker's Wine Advocate</i>		

-A.P Birks Wendouree Wines-

For many lovers of big Australian red wines the discussion begins and ends with Wendouree. Truly exceptionally cellar-worthy, these full bodied and gripping red wines are the result of extremely low yields from the very old, unirrigated vines of Shiraz, Malbec, Mataro (Mourvèdre), and Cabernet Sauvignon, many of them growing on untrellised bush-vines. "Iron Fist within a velvet glove" says Halliday. I will not dispute him on this one.....Perhaps you should form your own view on these wines

2002 Wendouree Shiraz	(Clare Valley, SA)	295
2004 Wendouree Shiraz	(Clare Valley, SA)	275
2005 Wendouree Shiraz	(Clare Valley, SA)	249
2009 Wendouree Shiraz	(Clare Valley, SA)	225
2002 Wendouree Shiraz Mataro	(Clare Valley, SA)	179
2005 Wendouree Shiraz Mataro	(Clare Valley, SA)	165
2008 Wendouree Shiraz Mataro	(Clare Valley, SA)	149
2010 Wendouree Shiraz Mataro	(Clare Valley, SA)	190

-Rockford Wines-

Whilst many Barossa producers were chasing the palate of one VERY influential wine critic, Robert O'Callaghan decided that Barossa shiraz was special and it didn't require nor need to be influenced by the preferences of this particular critic. He stayed true to what he (and I) believe is a sophisticated, refined and exquisite style of Barossa shiraz that can only come from such a custodian.

We are delighted to offer the following vintages of Rockford Basket Press and the SVS from this iconic Barossa producer:

1991 Rockford Basket Press Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	550	
1998 Rockford Basket Press Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	525	
2002 Rockford Basket Press Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	295	
2004 Rockford Basket Press Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	255	
2005 Rockford Basket Press Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	235	
2006 Rockford Basket Press Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	240	
2007 Rockford Basket Press Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	199	
2008 Rockford Basket Press Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	210	
2010 Rockford Basket Press Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	239	
2011 Rockford Basket Press Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	180	
2014 Rockford Basket Press Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	195	
1996 Rockford SVS Moorooroo Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	450	
1996 Rockford SVS Flaxman Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	450	
1998 Rockford SVS Flaxman Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	415	
1999 Rockford SVS Flaxman Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	400	
2004 Rockford SVS Flaxman Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	300	
2005 Rockford SVS Flaxman Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	295	
2006 Rockford SVS Flaxman Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	310	
1997 Rockford SVS Hoffman Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	395	
1998 Rockford SVS Hoffman Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	400	
1999 Rockford SVS Hoffman Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	345	
2005 Rockford SVS Hoffman Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	295	
2006 Rockford SVS Hoffman Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	310	
1998 Rockford SVS Pressings Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	400	
1999 Rockford SVS Pressings Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	390	
2001 Rockford SVS Pressings Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	300	
2008/9 Rockford Basket Press Shiraz	(Barossa, SA)	<u>1500ml</u>	465