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Australië



Adelina, Clare Valley

Colin McBryde, grondlegger en wijnmaker van Adelina, behoort tot Clare Valley's jonge garde. Stevig geworteld in de regionale traditie maar open en innovatief van geest. Hij maakt prachtige wijnen die een nieuw licht werpen op deze klassieke regio. Zoals de Adelina Estate Shiraz, Kevin's topcuvée van een biologisch gecertificeerde, honderd jaar oude wijngaard, aangeplant op Clare's befaamde terra rossa.

2017 Estate Shiraz

€ 34,50

Shiraz, 8 maanden oud Frans eiken.

"Vines of about 100 years old, beset red sand, mild clay, slate and limestone on a clay base. "Hand picked, destemmed and about 50% whole berry fermentation. 27 days on skins, pressed to larger format neutral French oak for 8 months. 1518 bottles made." -**Adelina**

"Pristine focus and appeal with a very fluid, long and layered palate, delivering admirably in the Adelina style of restrained power. The aromas and flavors of dark plums, blackberries and dark cherries are vibrant and engaging. There's a sense of carefully captured tension on the palate that equates to well-judged picking and vinification. Superb." -**James Suckling, 96/100**, Top 100 Australian Wines 2018



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APHELION

Aphelion, McLaren Vale **Instagram**

McLaren Vale, de historische wijnregio ten zuiden van Adelaide, herbergt een aantal schitterende oude wijngaarden aangeplant met Grenache. De wijnen die eruit voortspuiten zijn van een betoverende schoonheid. Zoals de wijnen van Aphelion, het domein van Rob en Louise Mack. Ze illustreren op bijzonder fraaie wijze de ongekennde dynamiek en veelzijdigheid van de Australische wijnwereld van vandaag. Een geweldige aanwinst voor het assortiment.

2021 Callow Grenache Blanc

€ 24,50

"The fruit was hand-picked and whole bunch pressed to ferment in stainless steel to retain freshness and varietal character. A slow and cool ferment occurred and once complete 20% of the wine was transferred to second use French oak to mature with the balance remaining in tank. The batches were combined just prior to bottling in August 2021." **-Aphelion**

"Light yellow colour. The bouquet is smoky and creamy-leesy, with some slivered almond, wisps of lemon and other citrus in the background, notes of blossom, while the palate is intense and bright, vibrant and fresh with body and intensity, drive and length. A delicious wine—fruit sweetness at the heart of it, then great flavour that persists long with ample and harmonious acidity and phenolic touches. This sets the bar for this grape variety in Australia. (2400 bottles made)" **Huon Hooke, 95/100**

2021 Confluence Grenache

€ 24,50

"The fruit for the 2021 Confluence Grenache was sourced from 85-year-old bush vines in Blewitt Springs. With approximately 50% whole bunches in the ferment and maturation in old, large-format French oak, the expectation of elegance, spice and pleasure is high. And boy, does it deliver. This is layered with sumac strawberries, salted blood plums, raspberry coulis and red licorice. In the mouth, the wine is littered with pink peppercorns and crushed rocks... the length of flavor continues to spool and unfurl through the very fine finish. What a wine. What pleasure. What purity. What mineral drive and finesse. I like it enormously. It's only going to get better, and it's very good already." **Wine Advocate, 95+/100**



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Best's, Great Western Instagram

De Great Western is een prachtig pareltje in het rijk bedeelde Victoriaanse wijnlandschap op zo'n 200 km ten noordwesten van Melbourne. Het meest vooraanstaande domein in de regio is Best's, opgericht in 1866 en sinds 1920 in het bezit van de familie Thomson. "Among Australia's best kept secrets" aldus James Halliday. De wijnen bieden zoveel waar voor hun geld dat Best's vorig jaar door Halliday werd uitgeroepen tot **Best Value Winery of the Year**.

2020 Great Western Riesling

€ 18,95

"The vines are direct descendants of the 1866 plantings in the nursery block. A core of sweet lime-juice essence and spine-tingling acidity makes a wine that follows in the footsteps of its multi-gold-medal-winning predecessors. An indefinite lifespan."

James Halliday, 96/100, Special Value

2019 Great Western Cabernet Sauvignon

€ 18,95

"A blend of cabernet sauvignon with a small portion of merlot, cabernet franc and shiraz. Comes fully formed into the world in every respect, and ready to go. So composed and nicely poised with cassis, black olive, plum, well-measured oak and ripe, supple tannins. Hosts a serious density, too, which adds up to one stunning wine for the price." **James Halliday, 95/100, Special Value**

2018 LSV Shiraz Viognier

€ 23,50

"Opti-harvested, whole berry fermentation with 15% whole bunches and 2% viognier. A rich, layered hedonistic wine, fruits of forest/forest floor, with both blackberry and raspberry on display. The balance of tannins, oak and fruit is evidenced by the wine." **James Halliday, 96/100, Special Value**

2017 Great Western Bin 0 Shiraz

€ 49,95

"Sweaty, meaty, reductive aromas at first; youthful and bold, fresh and undeveloped. The wine is intense and firm, with a little (pleasant) bitterness in the tannins, bright and bold, youthful and quite solid, in need of some cellar-time. It



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has very good depth and intensity of flavour. There's a sweet- fruit middle and considerable elegance. It showed more fruit and complexity with airing, including some pepper and a slight balsamic-herb bunchy note. Potential plus. A superb wine in the making. Wonderfully deep and complex. **Huon Hooke, 97/100**

2017 Thomson Family Shiraz

€ 139,50

"Predominantly from the 1868 plantings, with lesser amounts from 1996 and '70, hand-picked and sorted, 50% crushed, 45% whole berry, 5% whole bunch. You'd stand up for royalty, and that's this wine. To use the spit bucket is lese majeste. Just savour it, drop by drop, as it magically finds its way unbidden down your throat. It's got the full rainbow of cool-grown shiraz flavours, a conjunction with a year made for it by Dionysis, and, glory be, comes with a screwcap." **James Halliday, 99/100**



Bleasdale, Langhorne Creek

Langhorne Creek is wat minder bekend bij het grote publiek maar geniet onder insiders een grote reputatie als onuitputtelijke bron voor genereus rood. De familie Potts behoort tot de pioniers van de regio en stichtte in 1850 Bleasdale. In de afgelopen 150 jaar heeft het domein zich ontwikkeld tot de onbetwiste Malbec-specialist van Australië.

2019 Second Innings Malbec

€ 13,95

"Matured 9 months in (10% new) seasoned French oak puncheons and hogsheads. Bleasdale can't put a foot wrong with malbec at whatever price point it chooses. This is flooded with plum varietal fruit, but also has the texture and back-palate structure that many malbecs miss out on. Winemaker Paul Hotker is a wiz." **James Halliday, 95/100, Speciale Value**



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CAMPBELLS
OF RUTHERGLEN

Campbells, Rutherglen Instagram

De regio Rutherglen op zo'n 300 km ten noordoosten van Melbourne is vermaard om z'n versterkte Muscat en Tokay, volgens de Oxford Companion to Wine "two of Australia's great gifts to the world". Het familiebedrijf Campbells, gesticht in 1870, is een van de vaandeldragers van het genre. Vandaag de dag waakt Julie Campbell, lid van de vijfde generatie, over de elegantie huisstijl. Naast de zoete, versterkte wijnen maken zij ook een hele range 'gewone' wijnen waarvan de Durif nieuw in mijn assortiment is.

2018 Limited Release Durif

€ 17,95

"Matured 18 months in French & American puncheons prior to blending, Full bodied, yes, but nicely contained and well measured. Gives full Expression to some considerable fruit power, plum, blackberry cassis aniseed and rosemary. Oak & tannins on song delivering a full, plush finish. Full respect to the fruit" **93 points, James Halliday**, The Wine Companion

Grand Rutherglen Topaque NV (375 ml)

€ 42,50

Muscadelle, solera.

"Mid-walnut with an olive glimmer; a glorious wine with its complex flavour base - grilled hazelnuts, soy sauce, whole roasted coffee beans and salted licorice. This is so complex yet fresh so let's just stop there." — **James Halliday, 96/100, Special Value**

Grand Rutherglen Muscat NV (375 ml)

€ 42,50

Muscat à Petits Grains Rouge, solera.

"Suddenly, things take a turn for the serious. The colour is so much darker, the aromas more intense and the presence in the glass is a thing of beauty. Average age for the Grand fortified classification is 11-19 years. Walnut brown with an olive tinge. So intense, so intoxicating with layer upon layer of molasses, dark chocolate, coffee bean, nougat and orange peel. Neutral spirit helps accentuate and refresh. An Australian icon done proud." — **James Halliday, 95/100**



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Isabel Rare Rutherglen Topaque NV (375 ml)

€ 79,50

"Oh my, takes your breath away! One look and you know you are in Rare territory: dark walnut brown with olive tinge. Moves slowly in the glass and asks the drinker to pause and contemplate its astounding richness and concentration of aromas and flavours gathered over decades. Boiled fruitcake, malt biscuits, soused raisins, caramel, treacle and chocolate aromas gather pace on the palate. A wine to get lost in, with its layers of complexity, dense and deep. Count the minutes the taste remains alive in the mouth." **James Halliday, 97/100**

The Merchant Prince Rare Rutherglen Muscat NV (375 ml)

€ 79,50

"Mesmerising! Merchant Prince is one of the most complex tasting experiences you can have. Such is the depth and age of Campbells fortified stocks; few producers can compete. Dense, deep in colour and super-concentrated, Merchant Prince seems to pour in slow motion. Molasses, dried fruits, soaked raisins and toasted nuts meld and weave their way through the palate, rising in sweet intensity. Clean pair of heels to close. A fortified masterclass." James Halliday, 97/100



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Clonakilla

Clonakilla, Canberra District Instagram

Een van de toonaangevende wijnhuizen van Australië op zo'n 300 km ten zuidwesten van Sydney met een van 's lands meest begenadigde wijnmakers aan het roer. Tim Kirk is een fervent pleitbezorger van cool-climate Shiraz en zijn Shiraz Viognier is niet alleen de onbetwiste benchmark voor het genre maar simpelweg een wijn van wereldklasse.

2019 Shiraz Viognier

€ 82,50

"Deep, bright red/purple colour with a fragrant sweet-spice aroma, white pepper, cloves—an assortment of spices, nicely harmonised, nothing dominating too much. The wine is medium-bodied but very intense with a long carry, and firm, tightly-coiled tannins on the follow-through. A beautifully perfumed, harmonious, fine but intense wine. 6% co-fermented viognier. Yields were 20% reduced." - **Huon Hooke, 97/100**

"Some wines have such distinct DNA. This is one of them. It packs so many layers of flavour and depth, yet never moves much beyond medium body. It smells of a souk market; spicy, peppery and exotic. It's replete with dark fruit, wood char and a touch of wintergreen. Raw silk tannins matched to a neat acid line give freshness, vibrancy and a promise it will last some distance yet." - **James Halliday, 96/100**



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Cullen, Margaret River Instagram

Vanya Cullen wordt door haar vakgenoten gezien als een van de allergrootsten. Ze is het boegbeeld van de biodynamische wijnbouw in Australië en schatbewaarder van een van de beste wijngaarden van het land. In die wijngaard vindt ook haar meest befaamde wijn zijn oorsprong: Diana Madeline, het ijkpunt voor 'Bordeaux-blends' uit Australië. Later dit jaar meer moois van Cullen.

2019 Diana Madeline

€ 82,50

"Vanya Cullen is the tannin whisperer. Here, the finest of fine tannins are saturated deep within the fresh dark berry and currant fruit, conferring a dryness to the palate. This lends gravitas, without detracting from the fruit purity and sheer fluid grace of delivery. Finely honed, the fruit is perfumed with roses, violets, tobacco, bitter chocolate and cedar. A pronounced graphite and gravel undertow persists through the prolonged, elegant finish." **Decanter Magazine, 98/100**

"Deep dark red. Elegant aroma which is marked by cassis and a light leafiness and a suggestion of Cabernet Franc's characteristic blackcurrant-leaf quality. Dry, refined tannins giving a dry mineral character. Plush and full in the mouth, the mineral character as much in the tannins as in flavour. 'Toast to mum', says Vanya Cullen. Smoky but not reductive. Layers of paper-fine tannins. Elegant. Opens up to a slight note of curry leaf. Or is it tobacco, or both? Very, very dry without being drying. Ultimate in refinement." **Jancis Robinson, 18,5/20**



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DOMAINE NATURALISTE
BY BRUCE DUKES

Domaine Naturaliste, Margaret River
Instagram

"Domaine Naturaliste is the brand of winemaker Bruce Dukes, who has been making top Western Australian wines via his consultancy business for decades. Now, he's investing some of that talent and energy into a label and range of his own. Anyone with even a mere interest in these wines shouldn't hesitate; wines of this class and price won't be around next year." Aldus James Halliday bij de toekenning aan Domaine Naturaliste van de titel 'Best Value Winery of the Year' in 2020. De wijnen van Dukes bieden een geweldige introductie tot het idioom van Margaret River.

2021 Discovery Chardonnay

€ 16,25

100% Chardonnay, 7 maanden gebruikt Frans eiken.

Sourced from Wilyabrup and Carburnup. It is built on a deep-set core of natural acidity and deliberate fermentation and maturation in used French barriques. An elegant wine with perfect balance and length, the jasmine scents of the bouquet deliciously seductive." — **James Halliday, 95/100**, Special Value, Top 100 Wines of 2019, jaargang 2018

2018 Discovery Cabernet Sauvignon

€ 15,75

100% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12 maanden gebruikt Frans eiken.

"Deepish red colour with a slight tint of purple. The bouquet is cedary, smoky, tobacco like and complex. The wine is intense and elegantly powerful, with lovely balance and harmony and again, understated complexity that bodes well for the future. It will richly reward even moderate ageing. It already has a lot of detail and is drinking beautifully, but will certainly age well" — **Huon Hooke, 94/100, Top Value**

2020 Floris Chardonnay

€ 20,50

Chardonnay, 10 maanden Frans eiken (een derde nieuw).

"All about complexity and texture, the richer fruit from the Wallcliffe district absorbing 10 months in French barriques (30% new, but low-medium toast). Fresh grapefruit takes care of the oak of a carefully built wine." — **James Halliday, 96/100**, Special Value, jaargang 2018



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2018 Rachis Syrah

€ 20,50

Syrah, 12 maanden Frans eiken (een derde nieuw).

“The sheer power and intensity of this wine are utterly exceptional - it's as if two 750ml bottles had been compressed by some arcane process into a single bottle. Neither the modest alcohol nor the Margaret River provenance give a clue about the clash of cymbals on the palate, black fruits shutting all else back into the cellar for a minimum of 5 years maturation.” — **James Halliday, 95/100**, Special Value

2020 Artus Chardonnay

€ 37,50

Chardonnay, 10 maanden Frans eiken (40% nieuw).

“Brilliant straw-green; white peach, cashew and melon are brought together under a net of grapefruity acidity that refreshes the mouth and calls for another mouthful of a wine with attitude and class.” — **James Halliday, 96/100**, Special Value

2017 Morus Cabernet Sauvignon

€ 42,50

Cabernet Sauvignon, 14 maanden Frans eiken (55% nieuw).

“Deep, rich red colour with tinges of brick and purple in the rim. The bouquet is rich and chocolate-vanillan with echoes of cedar, violets and underbrush. The palate adds blackberry and lashings of ripe tannins, the middle fleshy and generous, the finish firm, with good length. A very smart cabernet that will respond well to cellaring. Move over, Médoc!” — **Huon Hooke, 97/100**



Ben Glaetzer, Barossa Valley, Instagram

Gerenommeerd domein uit Barossa Valley, de archetypische Australische wijnregio, op zo'n 50 km ten noordoosten van Adelaide. Ben Glaetzer, algemeen beschouwd als een van de grootste talenten op het internationale wijntoneel, maakt hier prachtig pure wijnen van zeer oude stokken.

“Certainly, Glaetzer's 2018s don't disappoint, combining ripe fruit with enough structure to suggest a long, positive evolution for his top efforts.”— **Wine Advocate**

2020 Wallace Shiraz Grenache

€ 17,95

72% Shiraz (50-80 jaar oude stokken), 16 maanden Frans (80%) en Amerikaans eiken, 28% Grenache (50-100 jaar oude stokken), roestvrij staal.

“A 72/28% blend from Glaetzer's stomping ground of Ebenezer, the vines 50 and 100yo. Grenache had minimal oak contact, the shiraz matured in used hogsheads for 16 months. It's Glaetzer style, pure and simple: love it or leave it.” — **James Halliday, 93/100, Special Value**

2019 Bishop Shiraz

€ 24,50

Shiraz (35-120 jaar oude stokken), 16 maanden Frans (90%) en Amerikaans eiken (40% nieuw).

“From vines 35-120yo in Ebenezer yielding 3t/ha. Open-fermented, extended maceration, then maturation for 16 months in hogsheads. The use of French oak has put a polish on the wine, which has a loyal following.” — **James Halliday, 93/100**



2019 Anaperenna Shiraz/Cabernet Sauvignon

€ 38,50

84% Shiraz (30-100 jaar oude stokken), 16% Cabernet Sauvignon (30-130 jaar oude stokken), 16 maanden nieuw Frans (92%) en Amerikaans eiken.

“The 2019 Anaperenna Shiraz-Cabernet Sauvignon is an 84-16 blend, all sourced from the northern end of the Barossa Valley. Bottled in October 2020 and scheduled to be released in October 2021, it features lovely lift and delicate herbal nuances on the nose, plus hints of red and black currants and blackberries. Full-bodied and supple, it's also crisp, long and velvety on the finish, picking up delicious nuances of vanilla, dark chocolate and bright, fresh fruit.” **-95 points, Joe Czerwinski for Robert Parker's Wine Advocate**

2019 Amon-Ra Shiraz

€ 59,50

Shiraz (50-130 jaar oude stokken), 16 maanden nieuw Frans (95%) en Amerikaans eiken.

“The 2019 Amon Ra Shiraz is 100% Shiraz and 100% from the 2019 vintage, as Ben Glaetzer felt it – unlike many previous vintages– didn't need to be freshened with a small proportion of younger wine. From old vines in the Ebenezer district of the northern Barossa Valley, it offers classic notes of blackberries and spice, framed by hints of cedar and vanilla (it's aged 16 months in 100% new oak hogsheads, mostly French). It's full-bodied yet crisp, supple but tight and really long. Offering lovely dark fruit, hints of espresso and black olive, it finishes mouthwatering and firm. Give it some time in the cellar and drink it from 2025 – 2040.” **96+ points, Joe Czerwinski for Robert Parker's Wine Advocate**

2019 The Eye of Ra

€ 325,-

De nieuwste topwijn van Ben, wordt alleen in uitzonderlijke jaren gemaakt, 2016 was de eerste en over de nieuwe 2019 vintage is nog weinig bekend.

“In Egyptian mythology, The Eye of Ra was the powerful feminine counterpart to the sun god Ra and was also personified by a number of Egyptian goddesses. The Eye of Ra gifted renewal, life giving power and the annual Nile floodwaters that restored fertility to Egypt. These caring actions were celebrated along with The Eye's forceful protective deeds. The symbol depicts the sun surrounded by two protective cobras and wings. The Eye of Ra represented a polarity of the extreme force of the sun's heat countered by the sun's nurturing gaze. Similarly Ben



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Glaetzer developed The Eye of Ra Shiraz that features incredible depth and power countered by exemplary elegance and restraint leading to amazing evolution in the bottle and glass.

I have always aspired to create the perfect wine. The Eye of Ra Shiraz journey began when I was tasting fruit out in the Barossa Valley Ebenezer vineyards during the amazing 2016 vintage. I realised that fruit from selected individual vines across a small number of chosen vineyards had the outstanding combination of characters to create a wine to be the epitome of Barossa Shiraz. The wine then progressed through vinification exceeding the highest levels of my expectations. To me, The Eye of Ra 2016 Shiraz represents the very best that the famed Ebenezer district in the Barossa Valley has to offer from a truly extraordinary 2016 vintage. It is the first wine I have released that I have deemed to be beyond exceptional."-

Ben Glaetzer

"Glaetzer's 2016 The Eye of Ra Shiraz boasts classy notes of pencil shavings and dark, plummy fruit. From 85-year-old vines, it's full-bodied, rich and creamy, loaded with vanilla-tinged French oak but balanced by blueberries and blackberries and ending with lasting hints of mocha and licorice. It returns Glaetzer's traditional Barossa winemaking to a new level of quality and elegance without sacrificing power or guts." **Wine Advocate, 98/100**



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GROSSET

Grosset, Clare Valley Instagram

Grosset is een grote meneer in de wereld van de Rieslings èn daar buiten. Zijn drie Rieslings van drie biologisch gecertificeerde wijngaarden zijn van wereldklasse. Hoewel momenteel alleen zijn Rieslings beschikbaar zijn, maakt hij ook nog andere wijnen zoals Chardonnay, een bijzondere blend van Fiano & Semillon en geweldige Bordeaux blends, zowel wit als rood.

"Jeffrey Grosset wears the unchallenged mantle of Australia's foremost riesling maker. Grosset's pre-eminence is recognised both domestically and internationally. However, he merits equal recognition for the other wines in his portfolio: these are all benchmarks. His quietly spoken manner conceals a steely will." -**James Halliday**

2021 Polish Hill Riesling **€ 41,50**

"An exceptional vintage for this wine, with such intense aromas of lime and sweet flowers, as well as hints of white nectarine and wet stone in the background. The palate has density and sleekly refined shape that drives so long. Lime juice throughout, and some almost pithy density builds into the finish, supported by driving acidity. From biodynamically grown grapes. Drinkable now, but best from 2026 and a number of years after that." -**James Suckling, 98/100**

2021 Springvale Riesling **€ 31,50**

"A piercing wine that has such intense and focused lime fruit, as well as fragrant floral notes. Spellbinding intensity to the nose here. The palate sings with clarity and bright, vivid acidity drives pure lime-juice flavors long and fresh. Full of energy and a real powerhouse." -**James Suckling, 97/100**

2021 Alea Riesling **€ 27,95**

"Alea ... the pretty, sweet thing in the family. Behind the incredibly attractive facade lies a complex, layered and wonderful wine that consists of exotic spice, citrus fruits and saline acidity, all shaped by fine, chalky structure. This '21 iteration is a precise and restrained version of itself, showing length, elegance and most importantly, supreme deliciousness." -**James Halliday, 96/100, Special Value**



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HEAD

BAROSSA

Head, Barossa Valley Instagram

Alex Head behoort tot een jonge generatie wijnmakers in Barossa die een nieuw licht werpen op deze traditierijke regio. Zijn inspiratie haalt hij voor een belangrijk deel uit de Rhône en dat zie je terug in het karakter van deze bijzondere reeks wijnen. De beschikbare hoeveelheden zijn (zeer) beperkt, met name van de Single Vineyard cuvées.

Alex Head calls the Barossa Valley home but he will always feel equally at home in France's Northern Rhone Valley. His affinity with Old World wines led him to Côte Rotie, or roasted slope, where the story is that in the Middle Ages one 'Count Maugiron' owned the steeply terraced hills of Côte Rotie. The Count had two daughters, one a blonde and the other a brunette and in time he realised that wine from the Southern slope of the Cote showed colour and character of his blonde daughter, while the Northern his brunette daughter. When Count Maugiron finally retired he passed on the two Côtes to his daughters and to this day, they are still referred to as the 'Côte Blonde' and 'Côte Brune'.

Inspired, Alex set out to find vineyard sites for Head Wines where, similar to Côte Rotie, the soils produce contrasting styles of Shiraz resulting in The Blonde, a Shiraz grown on sandy loam in Stonewell and The Brunette, from a high elevation vineyard in Moppa. The rest of the portfolio showcases single site Rhone varieties with the hallmarks of elegance, freshness, balance and purity of fruit.

2019 RED GSM

€ 17,50

"A bit of a hot spell during 2019 necessitated upping the amount of Shiraz (30%) and Mataro (20%). Raspberry jubes, pretty, some spice, hazelnut and peanuts. Medium-bodied, fresh, light tannin but enough to shape it, even feel, balance and high drinking appeal, slightly sticky texture on a finish that's clean and pretty long, a sprinkling of dried herb in the aftertaste. Vibrant, even a little bit 'mineral'. A bit of a delight, as it were." **Wine Front, 93/100**



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2018 RED Shiraz

€ 17,50

"There's an increasing move up to the Eden Valley for Head Wines. This is 80% Eden. High perfume, blueberry coulis, blackberry, spice and sage, ironstone.

Medium-bodied, succulent, intense fruit of perfume and weight, dark chocolate tannin, savoury elements, very long fresh finish. Super vintage. Puppy like in enthusiasm as at now. Almost 94 points, though that's kind of arbitrary." **Wine Front, 93/100**

2016 Old Vine Grenache

€ 25,50

"Grenache is becoming, I think, increasingly more appreciated as one of Australia's great grape varieties. Fabulous wine. It's savoury and insistently tannic, not sweet, but full of juicy raspberry fruit. There's a rose and spearmint perfume, peanuts and spice, medium bodied appeal, a sweep of shale-like tannin, subdued power, and a red fruited finish that cascades down the throat. A wine with a beating heart, and a throbbing pulse. Exemplary. It will age beautifully too." **Wine Front, 95/100**

2018 The Blonde Shiraz

€ 36,95

"The vineyard in Stone Well at 280m practises sustainable farming techniques, including straw mulches. Open-fermented, 100% whole bunch, matured in French oak, 300 dozen made. Delicious surge/uplift on the finish." - **95 points James Halliday**

"From the limestone-base soils of Stonewell, this has a very complex and spicy dark-plum and blackberry nose. Espresso and dark-chocolate notes, too. The palate is deeply flavored with blackberry, black-cherry and blood-plum flavors, as well as toasted spices and mocha. Smooth tannins. Medium-to full-bodied, very concentrated and very drinkable already. Drink or hold. Screw cap". - **96/100 James Suckling**

2018 The Brunette Shiraz

€ 46,50

Shiraz, 15 maanden Frans eiken (30% nieuw).

"The fruit for The Brunette comes from a truly unique vineyard site on top of Moppa Hill, on a moderate incline ranging from around 340m to 380m altitude and faces east, perfect for catching the morning sun. Planted with 1654 Shiraz clone to approximately 2 hectares. The soils are lean red clays with seams of ironstone — brunette in colour — which produce optimum conditions for dark, savoury fruits and fine, structured tannins." — **Alex Head**



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“From Moppa Hill, on the highest part of the Western Ridge of the Barossa, with an easterly aspect so it only captures morning sun. Rich and deep, with an abundance of flavours, yet never dipping into overripe territory. Perfect balance in every respect, the vortex of fruit, spice and integrated oak leading onto the full-bodied palate, greeted by velvety tannins and an overwhelming desire for another glass.” -**James Halliday, 97/100**

2016 The Redhead Shiraz

€ 62,50

Shiraz, 15 maanden Frans eiken (42% nieuw). “The fruit is sourced from an Old Vine Shiraz vineyard at 500m altitude on top of Mengler’s Hill in the Barossa Ranges. The soil profile is a mix of shallow sandy loam, limestone and ironstone over orange/yellow clay and rose quartz — redhead colour. This is Grand Cru Barossa Shiraz at its finest. Numbered bottle; limited production.” — **Alex Head**

“What a delightful nose. Although it’s fresh, it also incorporates some real complexity. Brambly nuances are matched with just-picked blueberries, crushed violets, clay, rust, mahogany and orange zest. The tight and steely tannin structure easily supports the layers of blue and darker fruit, which sweep fresh and long through a palate of real depth and finesse. A mineral yet chewy finish. Hard to resist now, but drink in 2025.” — **James Suckling, 96/100**

2014 Ancestor Vine Grenache

€ 75,00

95% Grenache, 5% Mataro (Single Vineyard, 156 jaar oude stokken), 12 mnd Fr eiken. “Planted in 1858, this ‘Ancestor Vine’ vineyard has brown and grey sandy loam over yellow clays. 25% whole-bunch fermented in a wooden vat, natural yeasts, hand plunged and foot trodden twice daily for 3 weeks. Racked once during elevage of 12 months in old thick staved 600L demi-muid with a small addition of old vine Mourvèdre for balance. Made with complete respect to the fruit and aiming above the great CNDP (ChâteauNeufDuPape) in terms of quality and longevity. Bottled unfinned and unfiltered under stelvin capsule.” — **Alex Head**

2016 Ancestor Vine Grenache

€ 75,00

95% Grenache, 5% Mataro (=Mourvèdre, Single Vineyard, 158 jaar oude stokken), 12 maanden Frans eiken (85% nieuw).

“Deep red/purple colour with a dried herb, spice and earth bouquet with some graphite and smoky notes. The wine is full-bodied and smoothly textured, rich and fleshy, with great depth and amplitude. A gorgeous wine of real gravitas. Luxurious fruit-sweetness and wonderful texture. Quietly powerful, profound and sedately flowing like a deep river of flavour.” — **Huon Hooke, 97/100**



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Heartland, Langhorne Creek Instagram

Deze winery ligt zo'n 50 km ten zuiden van Adelaide en de wijnen worden gemaakt door multi-talent Ben Glaetzer. Ben is een grote naam in de Australische wijnwereld en maakt op zijn eigen familiedomein 50 km ten noorden van Adelaide in de beroemde Barossa Valley absolute topwijnen van voornamelijk Shiraz waarvan de goedkoopste wijn minimaal het dubbele van deze kost.

Deze wijnen van Heartland zijn het antwoord op de volumewijnen van de 'grote jongens'. Evenzeer bestemd voor een groot publiek, maar dan wel boordevol karakter. Een mond vol wijn voor het geld. Not for the fainthearted.

2018 Spice Trader

€ 12,50

50% Shiraz, 50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12 maanden Frans en Amerikaans eiken.

"A more developed, slightly forward red-brick colour, the bouquet ashy and smoky, burnt timber and a suggestion of reduction. The wine is intense and bold, concentrated and deep, with lashings of firm tannins, lively acidity and good length. Mulberry and earthy flavours flood the palate. A good wine, better if given more time and keen value." - **Huon Hooke, 88/100, Top Value**

2019 Shiraz

€ 13,50

"Medium to full depth of colour, a subtle tint of purple at the rim, while the bouquet is spicy, licorice-tinged, with a hint of char and a suggestion of marine character. There is good depth of blackberry, licorice and subtly jammy flavours, backed by well-harmonised tannins. A satisfying red that offers great value for money." - **Huon Hooke, 89/100, Top Value**



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HENSCHKE



Henschke, Eden Valley Instagram

Nieuw in het assortiment en het meest prestigieuze domein van Australië; al zes generaties lang in handen van de familie Henschke. De wijnbouw vindt plaats op biologische en biodynamische grondslag en de wijnen zijn hors catégorie. Aan de top van de pyramide de weergaloze Hill of Grace, met twee fabelachtige Single Vineyard cuvées daar net onder, maar ook met fantastisch rood in het middensegment en niet te vergeten twee briljante Rieslings die bijzonder fraai illustreren dat Eden Valley een groot terroir is voor deze nobele druif.

2021 Peggy's Hill Riesling

€ 20,95

"The blossom-filled bouquet surges instantly from the glass, citrus leading, apple tucked in close behind, the palate every bit as expressive. The crisp acidity provides the framework to carry the long finish and aftertaste; world class for a song." -**James Halliday, 97/100**, Special Value

2021 Julius Riesling

€ 35,95

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"Citrus and passionfruit blossom soar as you swirl the glass, and the palate achieves the seemingly impossible with the volume of turbo-charged fruit. It reaches every receptor in the mouth and there's no hint of added acidity, the balance and length faultless." -**James Halliday, 98/100**, Special Value

2021 Henry's Seven

€ 29,95

"Intense black cherry, graphite, dark chocolate aromas with hints of stone fruit and aniseed. Concentrated black cherry, dark plum, praline flavours, with some apricot notes, fine chalky dry/ grippy textures and roasted walnut notes. Finishes firm with chinotto, dark berry fruits. Sturdy and compact with very good density and vigour. Should unfold with bottle age and best to wait for a while. 77% Shiraz, 11% Grenache, 10% Mataro, 2% Viognier. 10 months maturation in 5% new and 95% seasoned French oak hogsheads." **Andrew Caillard MW, 93/100**



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2017 Keyneton Euphonium

€ 46,50

"62% Shiraz, 24% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Cabernet Franc & 3% Merlot Matured 18 months in (19% new) seasoned 85% French & 15% American oak hogsheads. I love the transparency of the Barossa's cooler seasons, in such articulate detail here that all 4 varieties are clearly visible in all their glory. Unashamedly medium bodied, refreshing and enticing, yet in no way underpowered, simplistic or short lived. Crunchy berry fruits, fine-ground tannins and vibrant acidity unite to marvellous effect and outstanding line and length. It takes some skill, dexterity and humility in the winery to allow fruit of such elegance to really sing. A classic Barossa blend with a long future before it." -**James Halliday, 95/100**

2017 The Wheelwright Shiraz

€ 99,50

"Eden Valley estate fruit, planted in 1968 and matured in 10% new oak (95% French & 5% American) hogsheads for 18 months prior to blending. Notes of mulberry, blueberry and redcurrant flit above the bass tones of dark and black berries, cut with spice, licorice, dark chocolate, sage and a scattering of brambly, briar-like notes. Graceful red fruits and spice feature on the palate which, like all Henschke wines, shows detail and elegance with perhaps a little more red fruit coming through. The balance and clarity of form impresses greatly." -**James Halliday, 96/100**

"The epitome of elegance with its sheen of silky, pure red fruits and lissome acidity, in 2017 this Eden Valley Shiraz is closer to Adelaide Hills geographically and in spirit. Medium-bodied, the beguiling strawberry and plum palate is delicately scented with pink peppercorn, coltsfoot, pine needle and black pepper. Subtle undertones of moss, twig and wattleseed draw you in further. Drinking beautifully now, with soft grainy tannins to the finish and lingering spice." -**Decanter, 95/100**

[Hier](#) vind je een video met uitgebreide review van de Wheelwright Shiraz

2017 Mount Edelstone Shiraz (tijdelijk uitverkocht)

€ 165,00

"Kaleidoscopic, this glorious vintage is terroir translucent, transporting you to the vineyard with its signature aromas of dried sage, Eucalyptus olida (aka Strawberry Gum), wild mint, wattleseed, nutmeg and tinder. Soaring and super-expressive, these scents bring compelling dimension and meld exquisitely on the sweet, juicy plum and bramble palate, with its cocoa nib and earthy hints. Graceful, willowy tannins and mineral acidity make for a long, fluid, markedly perfumed finish. Irresistible already!" -**Decanter, 98/100**



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"From a single vineyard of 105 yo Shiraz vines on Mount Edelstone in the Eden Valley, farmed according to organic and biodynamic practices. Aged in 86% French and 14% American oak (26% new) for 18 months. Bright, intense blackberry and blackcurrant fruits mesh with hints of Asian spice, tar, turned earth, rosehip, sage and high-cocoa dark chocolate. Displaying a beautiful, pure, dark fruit flow, it's a wonderfully complex wine with ripe long-grain tannins and sprightly mineral acid drive, finishing very long and graceful with a core of cassis and spice. Will cellar magnificently." **-James Halliday, 97/100**

2017 Hill of Grace

€ 650,00

"Muscular with great vitality and sensuality, Hill of Grace 2017 combines gravitas with grace. Supple swathes of fruit – blackberry with blueberry and red cherry – come scented with china ink, tinder bush, black pepper, star anise, wattleseed, tea leaf and baking spices. Tobacco pouch, mulch and subtle game undertones strike a savoury note. Rafts of seamless, spicy tannins build and buoy layers of flavour. Terrific authority, strength, complexity and length." **-Decanter, 99/100**

"Australia's finest single-vineyard site? I think so. Grace by name, grace by nature; it's a perfectly framed, elegant snapshot of pristine fruit, site and season. Precisely ripened berry fruits are underscored with notes of Asian five-spice, sage, jasmine, licorice, mocha, blackberry pastille, charcuterie, wild flowers and cherry clafoutis. Pitch-perfect and elegant on the palate, the tannin- acid architecture tuned and sympatico with the pristine ancestor-vine fruit and a very long, silken finish that resonates with style and place. My goodness it's lovely." **-James Halliday, 99/100**

Hill of Grace is zeer beperkt beschikbaar en alleen in combinatie met de andere cuvées



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Koerner, Clare Valley, Instagram

De 40 jaar oude familiewijngaard is 'classically Clare' maar voor de rest is alles anders bij de gebroeders Damon en Jono Koerner op zo'n 150 km ten noorden van Adelaide. Vroeg oogsten, natuurlijk vergisten, gebruik van amfora, klaren noch filteren en minimaal gebruik van sulfiet, met maximale transparantie en optimale drinkbaarheid als resultaat. Verrukkelijke wijnen.

2018 The Clare Red Wine

€ 20,50

32% Cabernet Sauvignon, 29% Malbec, 22% Petit Verdot, 17% Cabernet Franc, 9 maanden Sloveens eiken.

"So much dried rose perfume here, in with blackcurrant, plum, milk chocolate and a little mint. It's medium-bodied, kind of light in a way, but densely packed with flavour and feels concentrated. Some tobacco and dried herb, cool acidity, pulverised rock tannin, and a long sweet red fruit and floral finish. Everything old is new again. Unforced and charming. Classic styling from yesteryear yet has a modern 'natty' feel." — **Wine Front, 94/100**

2018 Nielluccio Sangiovese

€ 24,95

Sangiovese, amfora (3 maanden), daarna roestvrij staal (7 maanden).

"Bright, clear crimson-purple; the very fragrant bouquet is crammed full of cherry blossom, the palate precisely following its footprints. A slightly savoury finish adds to the interest and quality." — **James Halliday, 95/100, Special Value**

2019 Mammolo Sciaccarello

€ 24,95

Sciaccarello, amfora (3 maanden), daarna roestvrij staal (7 maanden).

Crazy cool wine from a variety nearly absent on Australian shores, but here found on Clare Valley soil and in the hands of two, young, talented and canny winemakers. It has that texture of a water balloon skin, you know, all tense and thin but extremely tight, indeed, the slenderest yet most taut tannins you can imagine are a huge feature in this wine. Sour cherry fruit characters, a touch of game meat barely there, some persimmon and salted plum (asam boi) in there too. It's



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incredibly good to drink, a force of interest and deliciousness, so refreshing to drink too. A notch up in 2019 too. — **Wine Front, 94/100**

2018 Classico Red Wine

€ 26,95

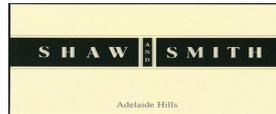
81% Cabernet Sauvignon, 19% Malbec, Sloveens en Frans eiken (10 maanden).

Gorgeous and savory red with crushed currants, watermelon and dry earth and dust. Always savory and energetic. Medium body. Fine tannins. Aged in large oak vats and cement eggs. A blend of 70% cabernet sauvignon, 15% malbec and 15% petit verdot. — **James Suckling, 94/100, jaargang 2017**





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Shaw + Smith, Adelaide Hills Instagram

Sterdomein uit de Adelaide Hills, een van de 'cool-climate' regio's van Australië. Alles bij de heren Shaw en Smith is van het allerhoogste niveau. De wijngaarden in Lenswood en Balhannah, het uiterst precieze en bijzonder creatieve wijn maken onder leiding van ouwe rot Martin Shaw en jonge hond Adam Wadewitz, volgens velen het grootste talent van Australië; en last but not least het visionaire karakter van Michael Hill-Smith en mede-Master-of-Wine David Lemire. De Sauvignon Blanc, M3 Chardonnay en Shiraz gelden als benchmark voor hun stijl en zijn onovertroffen in hun prijsklasse, de drie Single Vineyard cuvées even schaars als subliem.

2021 Sauvignon Blanc

€ 18,95

"Hand-picked fruit, cool fermentation in stainless steel, maturation on lees and early bottling. A model of consistency over 32 vintages, Shaw + Smith Sauvignon Blanc continues to lead the way in 2021 with a combination of fruit intensity and a seeming lightness of being. It's told in 2 parts; the 1st is exuberant tropicals, citrus and herbal interplay, but it quickly moves into a state of serious intensity, filigree acidity and mealy texture. That lasting impression saturates the tastebuds and stays with you." -**James Halliday, 96/100**

2021 M3 Chardonnay

€ 26,95

Hand-picked, whole bunch-pressed, fermented and matured in French oak. Its crystal clear quartz- green hue signals the '21 vintage in all its glory, the bouquet and palate a seamless array of nectarine, grapefruit and cashew. The feel and flow of the aftertaste implore a second glass. -James Halliday, 97/100

2019 Shiraz

€ 26,95

"Beware the siren with the ruby-red lips. In a smoky room, here she strides – confident, cool, arresting. Slender, stalky cherry and a smear of blackcurrant bite, spiked with crushed peppercorns. No sunny smiles here, this is deadly serious. Leaner, finer and taut, it marks a big stride ahead from previous vintages. This vision of cool-climate Shiraz marks a new age of measured sophistication." -**Decanter, 98/100**



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2017 Lenswood Vineyard Chardonnay

€ 49,50

"Cool vintage that delivered detailed wines with a later harvest that brought weight with freshness. This has very convincing weight and ripeness with focus and purity on the nose and palate. Lighter florals, white peaches and lemons. A flinty edge, too. There's mouthwatering acidity, married with impressive richness. Very pure and focused. Drink or hold." **-James Suckling, 97/100**

2016 Lenswood Vineyard Pinot Noir

€ 49,50

"Inaugural single vineyard release of this site. Hand-picked, destemmed whole berries and 30% whole bunches, open fermented, 10 months in French oak puncheons. Light hue, but it's the perfume that stops you in your tracks, an ethereal mix of spice, warm earth, dried herbs and florals. A hint of cherries and raspberries, but this is savoury through and through. Sealing the deal is the ultra-fine palate, medium-bodied with gossamer-like tannins, yet a tensile force." **-James Halliday, 97/100**

2019 Lenswood Vineyard Pinot Noir

€ 49,50

"Deepish red colour with a tint of purple at the rim, and a gently funky, vegetal, sulfide-tinged bouquet that suggests whole-bunch and some toasty oak. Although far from a pristine, fruity, aromatic pinot it has mystery and savoury umami complexity as well as depth and weight on the palate. It has the body and structure to go with stronger foods than the many lighter pinots. An impressive wine with oodles of character and plenty of grip, which is great drinking now and would reward cellaring. 20-year-old vines of clone 114, planted on a south-facing slope at 500m altitude." **-Huon Hooke, 97/100**

2016 Balhannah Vineyard Shiraz

€ 49,50

Hand-picked and sorted, open-fermented as whole berries and whole bunches, matured for 14 months in used French puncheons, then a further 14 months in bottle. The wine is still in its infancy, black fruits, spice, pepper and licorice in a Catherine wheel of flavours. It's a special wine that will have a very long life as the tannins are fully tamed. **-James Halliday, 97/100, Special Value**



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The Standish Wine Company

Standish, Barossa Valley Instagram

"I consider Dan Standish the reigning king of Barossa Shiraz. His 2016's completely bowled me over for their intensity, complexity and harmony. Sourced from single old-vine plantings in the subregions of Ebenezer, Marananga, Greenock and Hutton Vale, this is a prodigious collection of wines, meticulously produced in tiny quantities from old vines and low yields." **-Joe Czerwinski, Wine Advocate**

We zijn inmiddels een paar oogsten verder en de status van Dan Standish als de ongekroonde koning van Barossa Valley Shiraz is nog steeds onbetwist. De samengebalde kracht en peilloze diepte van de wijnen van Standish vormt een prachtig contrast met de ongekennde verfijning en elegantie van Henschke. Dat die twee werelden zo soeverein naast elkaar bestaan onderstreept de positie van Australië als het meest veelzijdige wijnland voor Shiraz.

2020 The Standish

€ 99,50

"The 2020 The Standish Shiraz was made with fruit from the Laycock family vineyard, in Greenock. The first vintage was 1999. This vintage saw 30% whole bunches in the ferment. It offers notes of red dirt, a bit of blood, salted heirloom tomato and satsuma plum. This is concentrated, compacted, plush, dense and muscular, with notes of ras el'hanout, allspice, torched cinnamon and salted Dutch licorice. This wine is like playing "Magic Eye." There's a lot going on, but if you relax, a pattern emerges and the detail becomes obvious for all to see. Within the fine but plushly tannic frame, there is saltbush and bay leaf, exotic spice and cascading layers of berry fruits. The dirt in which the roots are entangled similarly shows its colors—and these are red, ochre, earth and dust. At first glance, the foolish and the rash will overlook this for being singularly muscular and full-bodied, but like all the best IYKYK (if you know, you know—wink wink) scenarios, there is far more than meets the palate here. Another blockbuster Standish." -Wine Advocate, 96/100

2020 The Schubert Theorem

€ 99,50

"The 2020 The Schubert Theorem Shiraz was made with fruit from the Roennfeldt Road vineyard in Marananga, with 70% whole bunches in the ferment. This is the



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only cuvée in the collection that sees any inclusion of a different maturation vessel: the northeastern corner of the vineyard goes into concrete, because it retains the pure blue fruit characters that so define the wine. When one considers the dirt that is in this vineyard (and I ask you, without dirt, just where would we all be?), when one sees its black, shaley sparkle, one can get a sense of what to expect in the wine. It is always the black, brooding beast of the pack, but there is always—and I repeat, ALWAYS—a core of very pure fruit at its heart. This year is no different, and it is encased in fine but structuring tannin. It soars long across the palate, and yet within it, this wine is elegant and pliable. If the Lamella is the intriguing, pretty wine, and The Standish is the savory powerhouse, then The Relic is the iron fist–velvet glove... which makes this the enigma. I cannot overstate how attracted I am to the prowling, slinking nature of it. The tannins here—of all the wines—have a blueberry skin gravel to them; they are chalky and fine and a little bit gritty... excellent. This is a sensation, in every respect. A hot contender for best wine in the release this year." **-Wine Advocate, 98/100**



2020 The Relic

€ 99,50

"The 2020 The Relic Shiraz-Viognier is made with fruit from the Hongell family vineyard in Krondorf, with 15% to 20% whole bunches in the ferment and 1% Viognier skins co-fermented. This is the best I've seen it. There's something about the combination of the hot year and the diminished yields—it has recoiled and recompressed the Viognier on top of and into the Shiraz and brought them into balance/harmony. Beneath its floral and stone fruit guiles is a pool of savory, muscular, red-dirt Shiraz. There is bacon fat and pure berry fruit and spice for days... I've recently looked at a previous vintage of this wine alongside an older but immaculate Chateau d'Ampuis, and while their origins were clear in the glass, the Relic proved an Australian perspective more than relevant. The balance between the varieties—and the classic push/pull of sweet and savory—is more harmonious this year than in any I can remember, and the only thing I am more excited about when I consider this wine is what I will say next year, through the lens of an excellent, cool and elegant year. What a fine pair they will make." **-Wine Advocate, 99/100**



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"White flowers, liquorice, chocolate, a little bacon fat, black fruit and discreet toasty oak. So purple, so full of energy, even for a big wine, stone fruit and plum, silky and supple tannin of many layers, intense blue and purple fruit, silty and earthy, with a cool 'mineral' and ferrous character, dense sweet fruit and chamomile perfume to close. Not sure I've tasted a better Relic? This is how you Shiraz Viognier!" **-Wine Front, 97/100**

2020 Lamella

€ 99,50

"The 2020 Lamella Shiraz was made with fruit from the Angas family vineyard in the Eden Valley (Hutton Vale Farm), with cuttings from the Mt. Edelstone vineyard, which is close by. It is made with 100% whole bunches in the ferment. "This is the last pick, and by that time the stems have fully lignified," said Dan Standish. It is floral, and granitic and minerally and über spicy all at once. It is the elegant wine of the lineup, thanks to the elevated vineyard and the cooling acid, but it also is possessed of a nuance and range of flavor that makes it distinct from the others. The Lamella has the breadth and range that the other two do not (making it neither better nor worse, just an observation), and it covers a lot of ground within that. It is shaley, and rocky and mineral, but it is also slightly herbal (there is fresh coriander and a hint of bay in there); the fruit is concentrated and pure and also has a splay of spice through the finish—licorice, star anise and a shake of allspice. Zoom out, and the wine has volumes of flavor and pillowy texture—it really does have it all. Due to the vintage conditions, I expected to be met by a dense wall of unforgiving flavor and tannin. Instead, it is possessed of a galaxy of flavor, pintucked into folds of texture and all of it spooling out over an interminable finish." **-Wine Advocate, 97/100**

"Intense, concentrated Shiraz here. So dense, floral, bergamot, liquorice and chocolate, black fruit and dried raspberry, spice and peppermint (down low). Full-bodied, dark and perfumed, distinct raspberry coulis flavour, earthy and bold, kind of ferrous too, tea-like tannin of richness, lavish and stony/earthy feel and persistence, a fresh 'mineral' feel to acidity,. What a wine! Perfume, power, all the things. It's an outstanding spicy iteration of Lamella, and if the vintage was difficult, well, you'd never know. And that tannin. Essence-like. Sheesh." **-Wine Front, 97/100**

De 4 verschillende cuvées zijn alleen als pakket beschikbaar met minimale afname van 3 flessen per wijn



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Teusner, Barossa Valley Instagram

Een jonge avonturier in de meest traditionele wijnregio Down Under, Barossa Valley vlakbij Adelaide in het zuidoosten van Australië, waar eigenlijk 95% van de wijnbouw van het land plaatsvindt. Met talent en durf zoekt Kym Teusner naar nieuwe expressies van oude stokken Grenache, Mataro en Shiraz. In die volgorde wel te verstaan: eerst de lange tijd onderbelichte lokale helden Grenache en Mataro, dan pas de alomtegenwoordige Shiraz. Kym's zoektocht levert pure wijnen op barstensvol energie en karakter. Wijnen met een schandelijk hoge lekker-factor die elke weerstand zinloos maakt. Wie ongegeneerd wil genieten van de generositeit van Barossa is bij Teusner aan het juiste adres.

In 2001 begon het bedrijf bij toeval toen Kym en zijn compagnon in de kroeg hoorden dat een aantal druiventelers hun 85 jaar oude wijngaard wilden verkopen aan een grote producent. Die zouden dan die oude wijngaarden met oude stokken rooien om er veel vruchtbaardere, lees commercieel meer aantrekkelijke, nieuwe wijnstokken te planten. Echter, die oude stokken, zogenaamde *bushvines*, leveren veel minder druiven, maar tegelijkertijd ook mooiere wijnen op met veel meer karakter. Kym betaalde vervolgens 4 keer meer dan de grote producent bood en Teusner Wines was geboren.

Zelf zegt Kym het volgende over wat volgens hem het geheim van hun wijnen is; "I honestly think that it comes down solely to the growers that we work with. They have mostly been on their patches of dirt for anywhere up to 8 generations. They know their shit. They love what they do – It is in their blood. These folks are the gold that makes the Barossa what it is. We do our best to look after them so that they look after us by bringing us beautifully ripened and balanced fruit. Then there's the fact that we love what we do. It's fun. Sometimes its serious, but it's always fun."

Intussen hebben zij meer connecties met allerlei druiventelers met eigen wijngaarden met oude stokken, zijn ze in 2017 uitgeroepen tot "Winemaker of the Year" en maken zij een uitgebreide range aan wijnen waarvan 95% rood is.



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2018 The Independent Shiraz Mataro

€ 16,95

55% Shiraz, 45% Mataro (=Mourvèdre), 12 maanden Frans eiken.

It combines leather, earth and redcurrant flavours to positive effect and while there's nothing dramatic about its quality it feels confident every step of the way. Confidence breeds confidence; drink this and you'll know you're onto a good thing. — **James Halliday, 92/100**

2020 The G Grenache

€ 18,50

12 maanden gerijpt in gebruikt Franse eikenhouten vaten

"Sourced from vineyards located around the perimeter of almost the entire valley! The increasing elevations of many of these locations brings cooler nights and impacts the grapes to enhance bright acidities and freshness with supporting but not intrusive tannin. The benefit of sourcing from all over the valley is complexity.

We tend to get the bright fresh Asian/North African spices from the deep sands, lifted red summer fruits from the northern red clays and savoury richness from the southern loams. Climatically these sub regions are also quite distinct from each other which helps build the complexity in the wine. The quality of the 2021 vintage is arguably the best the Barossa has seen in recent times. The wines displaying wonderfully rich, vibrant and concentrated flavours with outstanding structure, colour and balance.

Windy conditions at flowering meant lowered fruit set on the Grenache, and crops were only slightly higher than the past two drought years. Modest yields and ideal ripening conditions allowed us to pick early, ensuring the fruit retained a brilliant vitality and freshness, without being over ripe. As a result, the wine is only just medium bodied, which, when combined with the bright acidity and the complex but fresh aromatic makes it such a refreshing and enjoyable drink that can be enjoyed with almost any food!

"Grenache is part of our DNA at Teusner. It's our blood. The first wine we ever made, 2002 Joshua, 65% Grenache. Our mates said we were mad - "no one even knows what Grenache is, you'll never sell it" they told us. Didn't matter. Made it anyway. Now one of our signature wines. Love the stuff. Over 130 years of provenance in the Barossa can't be wrong. Surely?" **-Teusner**



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2019 Joshua Grenache Mataro Shiraz

€ 18,50

Grenache, Mataro, Shiraz, roestvrij staal.

Grenache, mataro and shiraz made in a fresh, earthen style. Love the way this wine presents. It's exuberant with fruit, ripe fruit, but it's not stupidly sweet or simple. It carries earthen, woody notes but it's not challenging or overt. It doesn't demand anything of you, it just delivers pure Barossa fruit flavour, sans overt oak, sans ego or complication. It's the modern Barossa in a glass, or the best side of the modern Barossa anyway. — **Wine Front, 92/100**

2020 Avatar Grenache Mataro Shiraz

€ 19,95

50% Grenache, 25% Mataro, 25% Shiraz, 12 maanden Frans eiken.

Old vine grenache, mataro and shiraz. Firm, bold, fresh and characterful. A terrific release. Plum, redcurrant, campfire and sweet spice. Ribs of velvety tannin. Somehow manages to feel both generous and controlled. Super. — **James Halliday, 96/100, Special Value**



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Tim Adams
CLARE VALLEY



Tim Adams, Clare Valley Instagram

Tim maakt sinds midden jaren 80 wijn onder eigen naam in Clare Valley, zo'n 150 km ten noorden van Adelaide. Adelaide ligt in het zuidoosten van Australië waar zo'n 95% van de wijnbouw plaatsvindt. Intussen heeft het wijngoed, waar ook zijn vrouw en dochter een belangrijke rol spelen, zo'n 165 hectare grond verdeeld over 8 wijngaarden. Daar verbouwen zij vooral Semillon, Riesling & Pinot Gris. Qua rode wijnen ligt de focus op Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon, Grenache, Malbec & Tempranillo. In de meest recent aangekochte wijngaarden zijn ook voor Australische begrippen bijzondere rassen als Vermentino & Fiano aangeplant.

Onder de naam Mr Mick brengt Tim ook een brede range aan instapwijnen op de markt. Deze zijn een eerbetoon aan de mentor van Tim en de nester van de Australische wijnbouw, Mick Knappstein. Tim heeft bij Mick het vak geleerd in de jaren 70 voordat voor zichzelf begon. In 2009 heeft Tim de winery en wijngaarden waar hij met Mick samenwerkte, gekocht van een grote producent. Hij kreeg zodoende de mogelijkheid om op grotere schaal wijnen te maken en ook te experimenteren met nieuwe druivenrassen Down Under.

"Tim Adams is probably Australia's most consistently excellent winemaker." --**Oz Clarke**

Mr Mick Shiraz 2017

€ 11,50

18 months 2nd & 3rd fill American Oak

"Clare Valley shiraz. Released as a three-year-old, at \$17. Soft and relatively generous. Fruit-driven but with a lick of toasty, almost malty, oak. No hard edges, a good serve of sweet-berried fruit, and good overall balance. Easy to enjoy." **Wine Front, 90/100**

Mr Mick Tempranillo 2018

€ 11,50

18 months 2nd & 3rd fill French Oak

"We are extremely proud of this wine. Mirroring the central areas of Spain, which



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Tempranillo calls home, the warm dry growing conditions of the Clare Valley is the ideal climate to make this variety shine. Take it from us when we say this wine will go well with just about any food. This wine has distinctive varietal character of cherries and strawberries, integrated subtle French oak perfume and flavour with smooth tannins, a hint of spice and a long lingering finish." **Tim Adams winery**

2021 Riesling

€ 14,95

"Only the free run juice is used to make the Tim Adams Riesling, resulting in a delicate wine with intense flavours and aromas. The nose has lifted floral characters with citrus aromatics of grapefruit, lime and lemon. The palate is seamless with a richness of flavour built from almost perfect ripening conditions. Remaining true to our commitment to make quality Riesling expressing pure regionality, only juice which ran free from the press without applying any pressure was used to make this premium Riesling, from carefully selected sites throughout the Clare Valley. Following crushing, de-juicing and juice clarification, a steady fermentation proceeded for two weeks at 12—14°C to retain the delicate Riesling bouquet. The wine has been protein and cold stabilised to normal standards and contains only natural acid."-**Tim Adams**

2017 Cabernet Malbec

€ 15,95

Cabernet Sauvignon & Malbec, 24 maanden Frans eiken (deels nieuw).

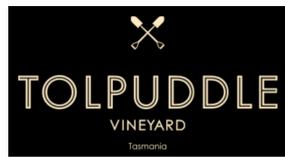
"In excellent form. Fluid, characterful and soft but with the inherent structure to last. Red and black berries, gum leaf, vanilla and violets. Leathery, leafy characters too. As soon as you open it you know you're onto something good. Terrific value. "—

James Halliday, 94/100, Special Value

Naast bovenstaande cuvées zijn er nog andere wijnen beschikbaar in Nederland, maar momenteel nog niet op voorraad, het is wachten op de nieuwe jaargangen. Onder andere Pinot Gris, Semillon, The Fergus (Grenache blend) & Shiraz. Ik heb nog wel mixdozen beschikbaar waar losse flessen van deze wijnen in zitten, meer info op verzoek beschikbaar.



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Tolpuddle, Tasmanië Instagram

Het luxe speeltje van de heren Shaw and Smith. Ze zien net als vele anderen een grote toekomst voor de wijnbouw op Tasmanië en dus kochten ze in 2011 de Tolpuddle Vineyard, een van de oudste en meest geprezen wijngaarden op het eiland. In datzelfde jaar trad wijnmaker Adam Wadewitz toe tot het team van Shaw and Smith. Adam geldt als een van de grootste talenten van Australië en zijn twee prachtige Tolpuddle wijnen getuigen hiervan.

De Coal River Valley ligt op ongeveer 20 minuten rijden van Hobart, in het zuidoosten van Tasmanië en heeft een reputatie opgebouwd voor het kweken van druiven van uitzonderlijke kwaliteit. Met een klimaat met de koelste extremen in de Australische wijnbouw, is het geen verrassing dat Chardonnay en Pinot Noir zo schitterend presteren. Bijzonder voor zo'n koel klimaat is dat de regenval aanzienlijk lager is dan veel van de andere koele klimaatregio's in Australië, met een gemiddelde van ongeveer 500 mm regen per jaar. Door dit koele, maar relatief droge klimaat kunnen de druiven in de herfst langzaam rijpen, zonder ziektedruk die door zware regenval kan worden veroorzaakt.

Tolpuddle Vineyard was established in 1988 and it took its name from the Tolpuddle Martyrs: English convicts transported to Tasmania for forming an agricultural union.

The vineyard is facing north-east, and sloping gently up from Back Tea Tree Road. The soil is light silica over sandstone and of moderate vigour, ensuring well-balanced vines producing grapes of great flavour and intensity. In 2006 Tolpuddle Vineyard won the inaugural Tasmanian Vineyard of the Year award, reflecting the performance of this unique and distinguished site.

"If ever a new winery was born with blue blood in its veins, Tolpuddle would have to be it." **James Halliday Australian Wine Companion 2014**

De veelgeprezen jaargang 2021 komt in november binnen.



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TYRRELL'S



Tyrrell's, Hunter Valley Instagram

Eén van de oudste familiedomeinen van Australië met een welhaast iconische status. Opgericht in 1858 en gevestigd in de Hunter Valley, de klassieke wijnregio ten noorden van Sydney. De regio kent elf wijngaarden van meer dan 100 jaar oud en daarvan zijn er zeven in het bezit van de familie Tyrrell. De unieke expressies van Semillon en Shiraz die er uit voortkomen worden wereldwijd geroemd en gelden als benchmark voor de regio.

2021 Hunter Valley Semillon

€ 15,50

"Delicious. Lightweight, but broader than the upper tiers, finished with extended time on lees and a dollop of RS to facilitate immediate pleasure. Tropical accents of dried mango and pineapple chunks meld with greengage, lemon balm, sugar snap peas and an underlying grassy freshness. Strongly regional, sensibly crafted and rewarding drinking." -**James Halliday, 90/100**

2018 Hunter Valley Shiraz

€ 15,50

"Fresh, red fruits some a little darker, spice, slight earthiness. Medium-bodied, lively, all about the fruit with some Hunter earth and a touch of spice and hazelnut, low oak input, and a quiet charm, solid length rounds it off. In short, quintessential Hunter Shiraz at a very fair price." -**Wine Front, 92/100**

2009 Vat 1 Semillon Landmark Release

€ 82,50

"The pedigree here is unmistakable. This offers up pristine aged semillon characters of lemon, barley and some gentle lanolin; very fine aromas. This wine has been engineered to perform as an aged release from the outset. The palate has a smooth, supple and very gently creamy entry, with hints at honey flavor, before straightening out and drawing pithy lemon citrus flavor in a long, smooth and perfectly balanced line. From an outstanding vintage and a blend of grapes sourced from the Short Flat and De Beyer's vineyards with vines dating back to 1923." -James Suckling, 97/100



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2019 HVD Chardonnay

€ 54,50

"This comes from Chardonnay vines planted in 1908, which certainly makes them the oldest in Australia, if not some of the oldest in the world. I note on the comments on the 2018, the compact Italian Stallion of wine, Fabio Pallottini (sommelier at Felix, at present, but currently in isolation, sadly), says that this is the 'Best HVD Chardonnay ever'. Who's to argue? I may find a horse's head in my bed if I do. Speak softly somm, so no one hears us but the sky. It's tight, it's tense, it has lime and white peach, plenty of crunch, a driving line of soft but sure acidity, a green olive savoury twist, a kiss of spicy oak, grip and superb length. Subtle vanilla and white flower perfume trails, and there's just a whisper of struck match, a la mode. So clean and vigorous. Superb." **-Wine Front, 96/100**

2017 Vat 9 Shiraz

€ 46,50

"It's the flagship red wine for Tyrrell's, and a partner to Vat 1. Purple fruit, violet and vanilla, great perfume and finesse. Medium-bodied, purity and purpose through the mouth, presenting an even flow of flavour from front to back. So much charm. Almost silky and creamy, but the tannin bobs up on the finish and tightens the nuts. Subtle earthiness. What a delight. Polished to perfection." **-Wine Front, 96/100**

Voor de echte liefhebbers heb ik nog wat oude flessen, Museum release, Vat 47 Chardonnay 2011 en Vat 9 Shiraz 2011 beschikbaar, meer info op verzoek.



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Yarra Yering, Yarra Valley Instagram

Cultdomein uit de Yarra Valley, de wonderschone wijnregio boven Melbourne. Hier plantte Dr. Bailey Carrodus, één van de helden uit de moderne Australische wijngeschiedenis, in 1969 een wijngaard aan de voet van de Warramate Hills. Die wijngaard brengt enkele van de meest gewilde wijnen van Australië voort.

Ze worden op fles gebracht door Sarah Crowe, begiftigd met een exceptioneel talent en in 2017 door James Halliday uitgeroepen tot Winemaker of the Year. Vorig jaar volgde een nieuw eerbetoon van Halliday met de uitverkiezing van Yarra Yering tot Winery of the Year en de Dry Red No. 1 2019 tot Wine of the Year.

[Hier](#) kun je een mooi filmpje zien over de geschiedenis van dit domein.

2017 Dry Red No. 1

€ 57,50

"A classic blend of 70% Cabernet Sauvignon, 18% Merlot, 8% Malbec and 4% Petit Verdot. Hand-picked and sorted, crushed and destemmed, open-fermented, on skins for up to a month, matured for 12 months in French oak (35% new). This is the serious side of '17. The aromas and flavours are still fresh and vibrant, but the palate, in particular, brooks no argument: this is a wine for protracted cellaring to allow the whipcord-tight structure to relax its grip." -James Halliday, 98/100

"This is complex and very rich with sliced berries, spices and flowers throughout. Full-bodied. Very soft and fine tannins on the palate. Long and flavorful finish. Extremely balanced and refined. A blend of 70% Cabernet Sauvignon, 18% Merlot, 8% Malbec and 4% Petit Verdot. Drink or hold." -**James Suckling, 97/100**

2016 Dry Red No. 2

€ 57,50

"95% Shiraz, 2% Viognier, 2% Mataro & 1% Marsanne, whole berries open-fermented with some stalks added back in, some batches with frozen viognier skins on the bottom, some with marsanne skins, matured for 12 months in French barriques (30% new). The most highly aromatic bouquet with perfumed fruits and spices dancing on the forest floor, the palate a liquid expression of the bouquet. Alive with juicy,



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gently savoury tannins beating a beautiful tattoo, the finish drawn out by the peacock's tail of the multifaceted aftertaste." **-James Halliday, 97/100, Special Value**

"The deliciously fresh brambles, blackberries and dried violets are what you'd first pick up on first here. You'll later find more meaty elements, clay and dried herbs. Full body, succulent tannins, layers of blue and black fruit and a juicy, very spicy finish. Drink now." **-James Suckling, 95/100**



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New Zealand

Blank Canvas

Blank Canvas, Marlborough/Central Otago Instagram

Dit domein is opgezet door het echtpaar Sophie Parker-Thomson & Matt Thomson in 2013 en opereert vanuit Marlborough. Zij hebben geen eigen wijngaarden, maar maken verschillende wijnen van druiven die zij betrekken van single vineyards door heel Nieuw-Zeeland zoals Marlborough, Hawke's Bay en Central Otago.

Matt besteedde vanaf z'n 17^e al zijn zakgeld al aan de mooiste wijnen uit Bordeaux, Bourgogne, Australië en natuurlijk Nieuw-Zeeland. Daarna is hij biochemie gaan studeren met een specialisatie in gisten, want daar kon hij mee in de wijnindustrie aan de slag. In 1992 is hij onderaan begonnen bij een bottelarij in Marlborough met zijn titel als Master of Science op zak. Hij heeft sindsdien onafgebroken elk jaar van 2 oogsten wijn gemaakt, in het voorjaar in het Zuidelijk halfroond en in het najaar Down Under. Hij heeft onder andere gewerkt bij Yealands en Saint Clair.

Sophie komt uit de juridische wereld en werkt sinds 2011 met Matt samen zowel Down Under als in Europa. Sinds 2021 is zij één van de 15 Masters of Wine in Nieuw-Zeeland. Een gouden duo met ruim 40 jaar aan ervaring, zowel theoretisch als in de wijngaard.

Hun meest bekende en qua aantallen grootste wijn is de Holdaway Family Vineyard Sauvignon Blanc die net even anders is dan de meeste Sauvignon Blancs uit die regio. Minder grassig en meer richting tropisch fruit zoals passievrucht, maar ook grapefruit. 2 maanden rijping sur lie geeft hem net even wat extra complexiteit. Ook maken zij van fruit uit dezelfde wijngaard nog een rijke Sauvignon Blanc genaamd 'Abstract', handgeplukt met wilde gisten en daarna gefermenteerd en 15 maanden gerijpt in Franse eiken 500 liter vaten van 3 & 4 jaar oud.



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Verder maken ze meerdere Chardonnay's en Pinot Noirs uit verschillende wijngaarden, maar ook een bijzondere Syrah met 7% Gruner Veltliner in Hawkes Bay. Riesling en Grüner Veltliner zijn in het verleden ook gemaakt door Matt & Sophie.

2022 Holdaway Sauvignon Blanc

€ 18,50

"This single vineyard rendition of Sauvignon Blanc is sourced from the Holdaway Family vineyard at Dillons Point – our favourite sub region for the variety. It is a classic expression of Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc, being 100% tank fermented, but it offers complexity of texture and a mineral drive that summons river stones and sea spray. Blackcurrant, guava and passionfruit are captured alongside the subtlest hint of oyster-shell. This wine is focused and explosive on both nose and palate yet remains elegantly balanced and distinctly salty." **-Blank Canvas**

2019 Abstract Three Rows Sauvignon Blanc

€ 24,50

"From the Dillons Point sub-region. Fermented and aged for 14 months in five-year-old French oak puncheons. This wine stands out in a crowd ... of sauvignons. For a start it has a rich, mouth-filling texture and real depth of fruit with a mouth-watering savouriness. Don't quaff it, savour it." **-Bob Campbell MW, 95/100**

2019 Reed Chardonnay

€ 26,95

"A finely poised yet powerful Chardonnay that has just the right amount of reductive flint character, adding a layer of complexity to this savory, stylish wine. Wild fermentation in oak puncheons followed by an extended period on lees has resulted in rounded edges while adding smoky and nutty flavors. It has lovely sinew on the long finish." **-Rebecca Gibb MW, Vinous, 95/100**

2019 Settlement Pinot Noir

€ 30,50

"A notably savoury aroma though no lack of dark and dark-red fruits lifted by a hint of perfumed sweetness, almost a floral note, highlighted by the whole-bunch component, which adds a herbal but not unripe quality which shows more on the day after opening. On the palate, this is a beauty, firmly structured but with extreme tannic finesse. That savoury character on the palate too, with just a hint of stems adding to the well-balanced freshness. Plenty of Southern Valleys character and power here, in an elegant style, very slightly chewy at this young stage but even so it's hard to resist drinking it now even though it should age well. Just goes to show that Marlborough doesn't have to make tutti-frutti Pinot." **-Jancis Robinson, 17,5+/20**



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2019 Escaroth Pinot Noir

€ 30,50

"Colour is a little lighter and more smudgy than in the Settlement 2019. And there's much more lifted red-fruit scent and prettiness. The slightly herbal stemmy note shows more than on the Settlement, though it is well moderated to match the fruit, even if there is a hint of capsicum, which some Pinot lovers may not want. Juicy, deliciously stemmy in its fragrance and freshness on the palate, the zippy, fragrant fruit and whole-bunch technique perfectly matched to bring harmony and refreshment. Vibrant, mouth-watering, long. Utterly different from the more powerful Settlement. More like top-notch Hautes-Côtes in build and style." -**Jancis Robinson, 17,5/20**

2018 Anthem Pinot Noir

€ 37,95

"Mid smudgy cherry red and already showing some development in the colour with a soft pink rim. Aroma of succulent but tart red cherry and a hint of orange and just very slightly smoky to add further complexity. Lifts beautifully from the glass: scented, inviting. Classic freshness of this cool, late-ripening subregion but it is fully ripe. Intense purity of fruit here, the whole-bunch component in the background and just adding further freshness and a lovely, subtle herbal aspect. Tannins are super-fine, almost chalky, then silky on the day after opening. Great length, and tastes much younger than the colour might have suggested. Vibrant, refined, daringly light and dry and yet with great substance, persistence and tenderness." -**Jancis Robinson, 18,5/20**

2018 Una Volta Pinot Noir

€ 37,95

"Much darker than the Anthem Pinot 2018. The fruit is also darker and more savoury but still with Pinot's unmistakable perfume: dark-red fruits and a non-sweet floral fragrance – not really what I expected from the colour. There's a Morey-St-Denis-like floral spice. Concentrated but not in the least heavy. Plenty of tannins considering it was only the free-run juice but they are polished and fine. Polar opposite to the Anthem 2019 and shows the range of terroirs and styles in Central Otago. Firm, gently chewy, with terrific density but all lithe and full of energy. Not quite ready yet though hard to resist." -**Jancis Robinson, 18+/20**

2018 Element Syrah

€ 31,95

"Wildly peppery aroma with the fabulous perfume that I associate with the northern Rhône, all stony dark fruit and peonies. This is stunning: the best Blank Canvas Syrah I have tasted and likely to age well into serious complexity. It is deep but not at all sweet-fruited, dark-fruited, savoury, tarry, complex and has immense length. Just shows how well Syrah is suited to this region of NZ." -**Jancis Robinson, 18/20**



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Dog Point Vineyard, Marlborough Instagram

Top domein van viticulturist Ivan Sutherland en wijnmaker James Healy, beide afkomstig van Cloudy Bay, de bekendste wijn van Nieuw-Zeeland en de wijn die het land wereldwijd op de kaart heeft gezet vanaf eind jaren 80. De heren zijn beiden opgegroeid in de regio die ligt in noordoosten van het Zuidereiland, dus zij weten precies waar de beste wijngaarden zijn. Hun focus is beperkt, zij maken slechts 4 verschillende wijnen, 2 Sauvignon Blancs, een Chardonnay & een Pinot Noir. En eigenlijk worden al hun wijnen in hun soort ieder jaar weer tot de top van Nieuw-Zeeland gerekend.

Het geheim is eigenlijk heel simpel, kwaliteit! Dus biologisch, de oudste wijnstokken en -gaarden uit de regio, tot 40 jaar, handpluk, rijpe druiven, lage rendementen, geen klaring (dus ook geen dierlijke eiwitten gebruikt, dus vegan) en minimale filtratie.

Al jaren op de kaart bij alle toprestaurants, zo was de Section 94 vroeger de wijn die werd geschonken bij de 'signature dish' van Sergio Herman, verschillende bereidingen van de Zeeuwse platte oester. Maar ook in Rotterdam bij Fitzgerald, in Amsterdam bij Rijks (het restaurant van en bij het Rijksmuseum) en bij mijn eigen favoriet Zarzo in Eindhoven weten ze de wijnen van Dog Point op juiste waarde te schatten.

Onder andere ook de 'huis' Sauvignon Blanc van de Librije. Hieronder hun beschrijving op hun wijnkaart, daar heb ik zelf niets meer aan toe te voegen.

2018 **Dog Point**
Sauvignon Blanc
Marlborough, Nieuw-Zeeland 65.00

Sinds 2002, de eerste jaargang die deze producent op de markt bracht, is Dog Point opgeklimmen tot een van de referenties voor wijn uit Marlborough. De 2018 Sauvignon Blanc barst van groene peper en citroengras gecombineerd met iets van mango en passievrucht. Een wijn met enorme spanning en levendigheid.



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"Since debuting with the 2002 vintage James Healy and Ivan Sutherland have been fashioning some of Marlborough's finest wines" --**Wine Advocate**

Het is nog even wachten op de nieuwe jaargang van de Dog Point Sauvignon Blanc en nieuwe voorraad van de 2019 Dog Point Chardonnay. Binnenkomst eind oktober.

Section 94 2019

€ 25,95

Sauvignon Blanc, 18 maanden gebruikt Frans eiken

'The complex style is nicely dialed-in here, offering a fresh array of grilled lemon and peach with some gently nutty aromas, as well as a lime-curd edge. Really fresh. The palate has fleshy and smooth texture with praline-like flavors sitting in a fresh citrus and peach core. Drink now, but can be enjoyed up to the next 8 years at least'. --**James Suckling, 94 points**

'Fragrant, intense and succulent, with distinctive honeysuckle, chamomile, spicy marmalade and ripe peach flavors on a fleshy frame, showing a touch of lanolin. Notes of mango, mineral and candied ginger emerge on the finish. Drink now to 2028.'—**Wine Spectator, 94 points**

Bovenstaande recensies zijn van de vorige jaargang, want de 2019 is pas net op de markt en er zijn nog geen recensies van te vinden.

Niet alleen de stijl van Sauvignon Blanc is sterk geëvolueerd in Marlborough, de regio heeft zich ook geprofileerd als top terroir voor Chardonnay. Die van Dog Point laat zien hoe hoog men hier kan reiken. Energieke Chardonnay in een superieure stijl. Een krachtige kern van puur steenfruit, fraai omlijst door toast en specerijen van de rijping op barrique. Heeft naast vuursteen een rokerige toets die Jancis Robinson onwillekeurig doet denken aan Coche Dury. Werd met veel succes in het menu geschonken bij De Librije*** en The Jane** en prijkt bij veel andere toprestaurants op de kaart.

Chardonnay 2019

€ 31,95

18 maanden Frans eiken waarvan 10% nieuw

"Smoke, hay, dried mango, preserved lemon and buttered toast on the nose. Full-bodied with sharp acidity and a phenolic texture. Tight, concentrated and long."
95/100, James Suckling



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“Seductive chardonnay with white peach, citrus, grapefruit, oyster-shell and subtle spicy oak underpinned by delicious acidity. Intense wine with a lengthy finish. A little bottle age would do it no harm.” **95/100, Bob Campbell**

“Lovely purity of fruit and expression. Aromas of white and yellow fleshed fruits, a lovely cashew nut oak layer, mild toasty oak layer. Really lovely mouthfeel and purity. Complex, young, pure, there's a salty finesse and light floral character. Texas ruby grapefruit. There's a pith and sweetness. A fascinating wine with layers of complexity.” **94/100 Cameron Douglas**

“Intense sort of Chardonnay here, kind of like sticking your head out of a car window while driving 110km/h, which I'm sure is also the sort of thing a dog would love too. Plenty of struck match, pink grapefruit, oatmeal and bran, BBQ chicken, guava and spice. And more, but that'll do for now. Tight and tangy, but also bold and packed with flavour, biscuit oak, a mix of ripe lime and stone fruit, flint and funk and a mouth-watering finish of excellent length and energy. Really very good.” **94/100 WineFront**



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Escarpment, Martinborough Instagram

Larry McKenna is een grote meneer in de wereld van Nieuw- Zeelandse Pinot Noir. Door z'n vakbroeders wordt hij ook wel de 'Prince of Pinot', de 'Godfather of Pinot' of simpelweg 'Larry McPinot' genoemd. De Escarpment Pinot Noir biedt een fraaie kennismaking met de regio Martinborough en de Kupe Pinot Noir een briljante en hoogst individuele expressie van het lokale terroir.

Martinborough ligt overigens op het zuidelijkste puntje van het Noordereiland, recht tegenover Marlborough. Dat ligt dus op het noordelijkste puntje van het Zuidereiland. De bijnaam van Larry komt voort uit het feit dat hij de Pinot Noir in NZ groot heeft gemaakt, eerst in zijn voorgaande jaren als wijnmaker bij Martinborough Vineyards en sinds 1999 als eigenaar van Escarpment. Larry is een Australiër, maar werkt al sinds de jaren 80 in Nieuw-Zeeland. In 2020 is hij verkozen tot [wijnmaker van het jaar](#) in Nieuw-Zeeland en hij is ook opgenomen in de NZ Wine Hall of Fame. Daarnaast is hij ook al ruim 25 jaar jurylid van verschillende wijnshows/-competities in zowel Australië als Nieuw-Zeeland

[Hier](#) vind je een interessant artikel over Larry en de wijnen van Escarpment en [hier](#) vind je een soort van afscheidsartikel over Larry, want hij is onlangs met pensioen gegaan. Helaas zijn er nog maar een beperkt aantal flessen beschikbaar, namelijk 32 van de 'gewone' Escarpment en 4 fl Kupa.

2015 Escarpment Pinot Noir

Nu-2025

€ 29,50

Pinot Noir, 11 maanden Frans eiken (30% nieuw).

"A lower cropping season with perfect ripening conditions has delivered a polished and seamless Escarpment pinot noir with plenty of red and darker cherry fruit aromas and flavors, some bracken and undergrowth, as well as rose-like florals and woody aromas. The palate has taut and tangy redder cherry fruits, cast against an energetic, fleshy and very composed array of tannins. A terrific wine."

— **James Suckling, 94/100**



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"This has a full and deep nose packed with aromas of dark-red and black-berried fruits along with a complex amalgam of savoury dark herbs and whole bunch stalk notes, lifted with aromatic fruit and floral elements. This has excellent intensity. Medium-full bodied, the palate has rich, vibrant and well-concentrated flavours of ripe dark-red and black berried fruits along with dark herbs and balanced whole bunch stalk nuances. The mouthfeel is fresh and lively with excellent vitality, and the fruit underlined by fine-grained background tannin structure. This carries to a long, well-concentrated finish, revealing dark raspberry and floral elements. Multi-clone blend of fruit from Te Muna Road and Martinborough township, indigenous yeast fermented with 50% whole bunches, the wine spending 18 days on skins." — **Raymond Chan, 18,5+/20**

"Supple, stylish pinot noir with dark cherry, fresh herb, spice, anise, and subtle oak flavours. Gentle tannins provide support without compromising drinkability. Lovely purity and subtle power." — **Bob Campbell, 94/100**

2015 Kiwa Pinot Noir

Nu-2025+

52,95

Pinot Noir, 18 maanden Frans eiken (40% nieuw).

"The sweet and fragrant spices and perfumed pinot noir fruits, a hallmark of this vineyard, are alluring and the depth that follows makes for an engaging, convincing pinot noir. The palate has succulent, attractive bright red cherry fruit aromas and the palate has a very focused, powerful yet elegant feel, and a feathery and ethereal finish." — **James Suckling, 96/100**

"Spicy, cherry and red berry, dusting of sweet cinnamon oak, a little herb and earthiness, but a brighter expression of Martinborough here. Medium bodied, firm almost sappy acidity, grainy lightly drying sandy tannin, plenty of crunch and energy, and a bright strawberried finish of good length, with a slight herbal bitterness. Excellent now, and better again with a couple more years in bottle." — **Wine Front, 94/100**

"The fruit for this Pinot was sourced from the Cleland Vineyard in Martinborough. It was fermented with indigenous yeasts in open-top wooden vessels, before spending 18 months in French oak barriques, 40% new. It has a rich blackberry and red fruit character, with a distinct strawberry lift framed by a woody hint of cigar box. This wine is ripe, pure and concentrated, finishing with peppery spice and a nutmeg note. Delicious!" — **Decanter, 93/100**



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Greystone, Waipara Instagram

Dominic Maxwell maakt in Waipara (aan de oostkust van het Zuidereiland, zo'n 250 km onder Marlborough) de ene fantastische wijn na de andere en profiteert zo optimaal van het eersteklas fruit dat hem wordt aangeleverd door viticulturist Nick Gill. Dat fruit haalt Nick van een wijngaard, aangeplant op kalkrijke bodem tegen de hellingen van de Teviotdale Hills direct aan de kust van de Grote Oceaan. Zo word je vroeger of later vanzelf "one of New Zealand's Top 20 Wine Estates" in het Decanter Magazine.

2016 Chardonnay

€ 25,95

Chardonnay, 11 maanden Frans eiken (25% nieuw).

"Quite a ripe, fleshy chardonnay with peach, stone fruit, wet stone, mineral, roasted nut and bran biscuit flavours. A smooth-textured wine with plenty of power and a lingering finish. Can be appreciated now but has development potential."

— **Bob Campbell, 95/100**

2016 Pinot Noir

€ 25,95

Pinot Noir, 11 maanden Frans eiken (30% nieuw).

Fine Wines of New Zealand 2020 Selection (Air New Zealand).

"This has really shaped up well in 2016 with vibrant blueberry and violet aromas. The palate delivers a deeply flavorsome array of rich cherries and blueberries, cast amid very smooth, long and sweeping layers of fine tannins. Exceptional pinot here." — **James Suckling, 95/100**, Top 100 New Zealand Wines 2018

"Flavorsome pinot noir with a savoury fresh herb and mixed spice characters, together with ripe cherry, berry and nutty oak flavours. More structured and less accessible at this early stage than I remember, but offers promising cellar potential." — **Bob Campbell, 92/100**



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Kumeu River, Auckland Instagram

Het levenswerk van de familie Brajkovic met moeder Melba aan het roer en Master of Wine Michael als grote inspirator. Talent, toewijding en terroir maken Kumeu River de meest vooraanstaande Chardonnay specialist van Nieuw-Zeeland. De jaargang 2021 is de derde fantastische jaargang op rij. Wat een weergaloze wijnen zijn dit. Absolute wereldklasse. Jammer dat er zo weinig van is.

De winery ligt in het noordwesten van het land, op het noordereiland, net buiten Auckland en ongeveer 15 kilometer van de kust. Opgericht in 1944 door Maté en Melba, de ouders van Michael. Na een bezoek van Michael aan de Bourgogne begin jaren 80 was de familie ervan overtuigd geraakt dat Chardonnay de specialiteit van het huis moest worden.

Alles werd er vanaf dat moment op gericht om zijn visie te realiseren. De naam van het domein werd gewijzigd in Kumeu River Wines en de eerste Chardonnays geïnspireerd op de Bourgogne werden op de markt gebracht. De wijnen trokken al snel de aandacht van de internationale wijnpers en het niveau steeg elk jaar naar nieuwe hoogten, maar niemand had kunnen bevroeden dat Kumeu River op een dag de grote voorbeelden uit de Bourgogne het nakijken zou geven.

Maté overleed in 1992 en heeft het internationale succes helaas niet mogen meemaken. De rest van het gezin werkt intussen onvermoeibaar verder aan de verdere ontwikkeling van het domein. Michael, in 1989 benoemd tot Nieuw-Zeeland's eerste Master of Wine, maakt de wijnen, zijn broer Milan beheert de wijngaarden en broer Paul en zus Marijana nemen de marketing voor hun rekening. Dat alles uiteraard onder het liefdevol wakend oog van moeder Melba.

Het repertoire van Kumeu River omvat zes Chardonnays. Aan de basis van de pyramide vinden we de heerlijke Village Chardonnay voor elke dag, daarboven de geweldige Estate Chardonnay en daar weer boven vier befaamde cru's, elk afkomstig van een specifieke wijngaard: Rays Road, Coddington, Hunting Hill en - in de top van de pyramide - Maté's Vineyard, een ode aan vader Brajkovich.



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De jaargang 2020 van deze topcuvée heeft afgelopen najaar eerst 100 punten gekregen van James Suckling en is vervolgens ook door hem tot wijn van het jaar uitgeroepen.

"Who needs Burgundy after tasting these wines from Kumeu River?" **Jancis Robinson**

'A Kiwi wine that's better than many Puligny-Montrachets' **Tim Atkin, Master of Wine**

"If you can taste history, duty, and family pride in a glass, it's there in the Kumeu River Chardonnays...now producing some of New Zealand's greatest Chardonnays, not to mention the world's." **Lisa Perrotti-Brown, M.W./Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate**



2020 Village Pinot Gris € 13,50

2020 Village Chardonnay € 14,50

2021 Estate Chardonnay € 25,50

"So graceful and composed, and lovely to drink. White peach, pink grapefruit, almond and spiced biscuit, subtle mint/cucumber and floral perfume. It's glossy and silky in texture, but bright and fresh, with a twist of lemon zest and green olive, a subtle flinty texture, and a long cool finish. Light and breezy too, delicate even, though not without flavour and intensity. These wines age well, so I suspect there's a bit more to come here." **-Wine Front, 94/100**

2021 Rays Road Chardonnay € 26,50

"I had a bottle of the 2020 Rays Road at a restaurant the other week, and thought, 'This is a new one for me', and really enjoyed it. At the time I recall thinking it was a little richer and more opulent than the usual Kumeu style, and now I realise it's from Hawkes Bay! Nectarine, nougat, a little cinnamon and freshly cut fennel. It's



smooth and flavoursome, oatmeal and almond, juicy grapefruit acidity, a lightly chalky texture, and fruity but tight finish of excellent length. Delightful." **-Wine Front, 94/100**

2021 Coddington Chardonnay **€ 35,50**

"Pear and white peach, spiced pastries, a little mint and almond, floral too. It's succulent and fleshy, all that nutty pastry but with tight acidity, a slight herbal/cucumber flavour gives it a lift and adds complexity, flinty and dusty/chalky, with a long bright finish cinched with lemon zest, lime and quiet perfume. So fine and detailed, already. Wonderful." **-Wine Front, 95/100**

2021 Hunting Hill Chardonnay **€ 46,50**

"A little struck match, hazelnut, grapefruit and white peach, a fair amount of sweet spice too. It's dry, has lots of crunch and energy, distinctly flinty, hazelnut skin grip, grapefruit, ginger and lime, intense and tightly wound, maybe a little quinine and cucumber skin, and a long gently bitter finish of precision and super length. Outstanding. A great Chardonnay here." **-Wine Front, 96/100**

2021 Mate's Vineyard Chardonnay **€ 51,50**

"In my not-so-humble opinion, if Te Mata Estate Coleraine is New Zealand's greatest red wine, then Kumeu Maté's is probably their greatest white wine. People seem to dig these emphatic statements, so I'm here to provide them. Any arguments?"

Good, I thought not. Struck match, ginger, pink grapefruit, green pear, hazelnut, cut fennel and white flowers. It's bony, tight and very flinty and 'mineral', with ripe lemon and zest, a subtle chicken stock/umami flavour, white mushroom and spice, firm and dry, a little dirt under the nails, and gap-toothed charm, a wild and unfettered beauty, and all the length and energy you could ask for. Superb. So wild, but so at ease with itself. Or something like that." **-Wine Front, 97/100**

De 4 single vineyard cuvées zijn alleen als pakket te koop, dus van elk 1 doos à 6 flessen. Behalve de Coddington, daar is van de jaargang 2021 erg weinig van, daar geldt de factor 0,5. Dus bij 3 dozen à 6 flessen van de andere cuvées, kun je 3 fl Coddington 2021 bestellen.



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Rippon, Central Otago Instagram

Een begrip in Nieuw-Zeeland en ver daarbuiten. Een boegbeeld voor wijnbouw op biodynamische grondslag. De ligging aan Lake Wanaka centraal op het Zuidereiland op ongeveer 250 km van de zuidkust is van een nauwelijks te bevatten schoonheid. De wijnen voegen zich naadloos in dat beeld, gekleurd als ze zijn door het lokale terroir. Wijnen met een krachtige eigen identiteit.

2020 Sauvignon Blanc

€ 22,50

"Oof. Lots on here. No prisoners in the perfume. Wasabi peas, jalapeno, lime, passionfruit – palate and perfume. Flavoursome beastly! It's got so much going on, crazy. Texture is great, chewy and chalky, races along at pace with refreshment factor on high. Quite an experience – an elevated example!" **-Wine Front, 94/100**

2019 Mature Vine Riesling

€ 25,50

"Bracing minerals, sliced pears and apples, wet stones and a gently floral edge here. So pure and fresh. The palate has a succulent, powerfully aligned drive of fresh apple and pear flavors with a mouthwateringly fresh stream of acidity. More citrusy at the finish. From biodynamically grown grapes. Drink or hold." **-James Suckling, 95/100**

2018 Mature Vine Pinot Noir

€ 41,50

"Dried strawberries, mushrooms, bark and flowers on the nose. It changes all the time! Full-bodied with intense yet refined tannins that drive the center palate to a long and almost endless finish. Great length. Great wine as always! Impressive to taste now, but this will be even better in three to five years. From biodynamically grown grapes. Drink or hold." **-James Suckling, 98/100**

2018 Mature Vine Emma's Block Pinot Noir

€ 62,50

"Very fragrant, sweet red berry fruits in scent (and flavour really too) with clove, alpine herbs, faint nougat, hazelnut savouriness, rosemary and fennel. Density is a thing here yet freshness is too, particularly derived from firming tannins in a spread than fans out with each sip. It feels power, impact, width; a wine to sit you back



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albeit delivering savouriness and a reset of the palate from frisky, minerally-graphite laced acidity and that web of firming, nutty tannin. Tannin is the star of the show here – superb as it is. This wonderful wine needs time." **-Wine Front, 95+/100**

2018 Mature Vine Tinkers Field Pinot Noir

€ 66,-

"Tension, precision, energy, length. Coiled and pent up, a wine of inward concentration, great velocity, a mesh of dark cherry fruit, spice, garrigue-like characters and smoky-mineral notes. Whoosh. Incredible. One of those wines you peg down to phrases like 'power and grace' though that hardly does it justice. This has the torsion and tannin profile of the greatest wines in the world, a sheath and length of epic nature. And delicious – fragrant, fruit pure yet complex, and all up a wonderful experience." **-Wine Front, 97/100**



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VALLI

Valli, Central Otago Instagram

Central Otago ligt in zuiden van het zuidelijk eiland, op zo'n 250 km van de zuidkust tegenover Antarctica. Er werden voor het eerst druiven verbouwd ten tijde van de lokale goudkoorts rond 1870 door één van de voorvaders van de oprichter van deze winery, Grant Taylor, wiens oma Valli als achternaam had.

In 1987 werd er de eerste commerciële winery opgericht, samen met Patagonië in Argentinië het zuidelijkst gelegen wijngedebied ter wereld. Voordat Grant in 1997 voor zichzelf begon, heeft hij eerst ervaring opgedaan bij andere wineries. En hij was eigenlijk de eerste die nadrukkelijk aan de slag ging met het begrip 'terroir' en onderkende de kwaliteiten van verschillende wijngaarden.

De meeste wijngaarden liggen bij elkaar in Central Otago, met uitzonderingen van de Waitaki Vineyard die meer iets noordelijker en meer naar de kust ligt. Het wijngaardareaal is in Otago vanaf mid jaren 90 enorm gegroeid tijdens de 'druifkoorts' van ongeveer 20 hectare toen naar 2000 hectare nu.

"At Valli we craft terroir-driven wines from Single Vineyard sites highlighting the different grape- growing regions of Central Otago and the Waitaki Valley on the South Island of New Zealand. Creating expressions of the Otago sub- regions is at the very heart of what we do: wine is simply the medium we employ to do so." -

Valli

2019 Gibbston Vineyard Pinot Noir

€ 44,95

"What a delight to taste a Gibbston Pinot in full flow. These are the most delicate Pinots in Central Otago and this beauty has an almost waxy smoothness and a bright springtime white flower scent to go with redcurrant and strawberry fruit streaked with apple acid and dusted with salted almond." **International Wine Challenge 2021, 96/100, Central Otago Pinot Noir Trophy, New Zealand Red Trophy**



2018 Bannockburn Vineyard Pinot Noir

€ 41,95

"The rich and fleshy red plums here are irresistible, as are the aromas of ripe red cherries and raspberries with a perfumed, grassy and spicy edge. This has such appealing and succulent style that it will be really hard not to drink now." -**James Suckling, 93/100**

2018 Bendigo Vineyard Pinot Noir

€ 41,95

"Aromas of violet flowers, spiced plums and blueberries with background, spiced wood, leading to a palate that has a very fleshy, succulent and zesty core of ripe dark cherries, fine tannin and a plush, supple finish." -**James Suckling, 94/100**

- Alle prijzen zijn inclusief BTW en per fles bij een doos van 6 flessen
- Op verzoek, in overleg en onder voorbehoud kunnen er van de duurdere cuvées ook mixdozen met losse flessen worden gemaakt
- Prijswijzigingen en fouten onder voorbehoud