



At love, Tilly Devine we've strived to work with the newest and brightest winemakers ever since our inception 14 years ago. And that ethos continues to this day.

We've showcased the minimal-interventionist movement, or the lo-fi movement – call it whatever you like – the winemakers striving to make wines as purely as possible. The French speak of “Terroir”, which is the fancy word that winemakers use to explain why their wine tastes so good, when really it's just the dirt talking. They're often working their grapes organically or biodynamically, and using as little artifice in the winery as possible.

Put simply, here is a list of delicious Australian wines, enhanced by the inclusion of a few international ring-ins, which we've included as benchmarks against which the quality of the Australian wines will become all the more evident.

Love, Tilly Devine is located on land belonging to the Gadigal People of the Eora Nation. We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians and pay respect to Elders past, present and emerging, of the lands on which we work and live, and further acknowledge and pay respect to the Traditional Owners of the land.

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# BY THE GLASS & CARAFE

## SPARKLING

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125mL / 375mL

2023 Dr. Edge 'Dr. Ongo' — *Pinot Noir, Meunier, Riesling* — Tamar Valley, TAS 17 / 46

*Who doesn't love a bright pink, dry, sparkling rosé? Dr. Edge calls this his light-hearted rumination on the breed of people who roll themselves twenty cigarettes a day but only drink pure, natural wine. Bloody drongos.*

## WHITE

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125mL / 375mL

2022 Two Tonne 'TMV' — *Riesling* — Tamar Valley, TAS 16 / 44

*Lime curd tart and jasmine on the nose with just a touch of sweetness on the palate, this is Riesling from a cool climate exactly how we like it. This is an absolute gem from up-and-coming young winemaker Ricky Evans.*

2021 Domaine de la Tourlaudiere Catorpée - *Melon de Bourgogne* - Loire Valley, Fr 22 / 55

*Clean and very refreshing with apple cider minerality this is the ultimate shellfish and crustacean pairing wine. Pear and lime bring some extra zing to the palate in a way that'll get your mouth watering.*

2023 Elena Walch — *Pinot Grigio* — Trentino, Alto Adige, It 18 / 48

*Fruity notes of ripe pears, white pepper and a bit of sage in the nose. Mineral- salty richness and a crisp acidity make this a Pinot Grigio for grown-ups.*

2023 Patrick Sullivan — *Chardonnay* — Mount Gambier, SA 17 / 46

*From the master himself, Patrick Sullivan. A fleshy and flavoursome nectarine core in a mineral frame, with a lovely kiss of French oak to add complexity and detail. Every sip makes you feel fancy.*

Mystery Wine — guess the grape and region and the glass is on us 16

## SKIN CONTACT & ORANGE

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125mL / 375mL

2021 Sagona 'Fon Fon' — *Trebbiano* — Tuscany, It 23 / 62

*Trebbiano from the slopes of Arezzo, fermented in concrete and left on skins for 10 days then aged in steel for 12 months. It's rich, powerful and very, very tasty.*

2023 Momento Mori 'Fistful of Flowers' — *Moscato, Vermentino* — Heathcote, VIC 18 / 45

*Don't be misled by the whack of florals and stone fruits on the nose. In contrast, the fresh and pure flavours combine with a cool slated steeliness and a fine salinity to keep it all together. This is wine for the people!*

## ROSÉ

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125mL / 375mL

2022 Domaine Pinchinat 'Vénus' – Grenache, Syrah, Mourvèdre — Provence, Fr 17 / 48

*For those who like their rosés pale, Provençal and dry, here's one that's also fresh and balanced. A soft pink colour, with an aroma of ripe melon and white peach. Intense and dangerously smashable on a warm afternoon.*

## CHILLED RED

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125mL / 375mL

2021 Unico Zelo 'Tropo Big Red' – Shiraz, Merlot — Adelaide Hills, SA 16 / 42

*When Unico Zelo decided to launch 'Tropo', they succeeded in creating a collection of wines that taste exactly how they look. Fun, youthful, 'chuck it on ice' styles that are uncomplicated and (do we dare say) 'smashable' wines.*

2023 Sabi Wabi 'Nomu' – Syrah — Hunter Valley, NSW 17 / 46

*Bright characters of strawberries, cherries, blueberries, confectionery and herbs, combined with zingy acidity. Proof that top quality fruit and clever winemaking can still make for a fun, easy to drink and utterly delicious Syrah.*

## RED

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125mL / 375mL

2023 William Downie 'Cathedral' – Pinot Noir — Gippsland, VIC 16 / 42

*Bill Downie's made a showstopping display of what natural Pinot can look like in Victoria: all juicy, velvety, and earthy character, this Pinot is bright red fruits and generous cherries just begging to be served slightly chilled.*

2020 Tenuta Orsumella 'Chianti Classico' – Sangiovese — Tuscany, It 19 / 52

*Blackcurrant, cherry, subtle aniseed, vanilla oak and toasty flavours are complimented by a medium/lighter weight. This is like drinking the evening sunset over the vineyards of Tuscany.*

2018 La Violetta 'Tempter' – Tempranillo – Great Southern, WA 18 / 48

*Sumptuous and curvy dark plums round out this full-figured Tempranillo. AJ Hoadley has cultivated old-school bush vines for full, gutsy freshness. We think anyone would be tempted by this one.*

2023 Syrahmi 'Demi' – Shiraz — Heathcote, VIC 16 / 42

*Warm and intensely more-ish. Complex and powerful. Smoky and herbal. Redcurrant and black cherry and plush, velvety tannins holding everything together. Adam Foster's wine is a force to be reckoned with.*

Mystery Wine — guess the grape and region and the glass is on us 16

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# NOT WINE

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# SOMM-THINGS THAT ARE EXCITING US. . .

Wine lists. They can be as terrifying as they are exciting. That moment of fear when you're asked, "would you like to speak to the sommelier?"

"An actual wine expert? No thanks! What if they judge me?!"

At some point in the past, wine went from being the drink of the people, grown and made by folks with dirt under their fingernails and a ruddy smile on their sunburnt faces, and turned into an exclusive club comprised of snooty bow-tie-wearing types scorning all those who didn't know their Claret from their Carignan.

No thanks. We're all about sharing and enjoying without judgement, and our team can't wait to show you their favourite drops, which hopefully will become yours too!

But we know that some still like to order their tippie without the chat, and we're fine with that too. For those people we present our favourite picks below as a quick guide of what we think is bloody delicious on our list right now...

## **Koerner, 2023 "Gullyview" — *Riesling* — Damon and Jonathan Koerner, Clare Valley, SA 117**

Ok so this is a dangerously smashable Riesling from the Koerner boys. Super intense and refreshing on a warm spring evening. Tonnes of mouth-watering brightness and cool minerality, just popping with green apple and a hint of mango. These vines were planted in 1974 and are really hitting their stride.

## **Dr. Edge, 2023 'Chardennui' — *Chardonnay, Riesling* — Peter Dredge, Tamar Valley, TAS 92**

This is a blend of three different Chardonnay vineyards from Tassie. There's a touch of skins to add texture and tiny splash of Riesling for some extra fruity fun. This is a fun and vibrant take on a modern Aussie Chardonnay that is clean bright and fresh with texture and gorgeous flavours of lime lemon orange through to pear and peach. Once you taste you'll be back for more but hurry as there is very little.

## **Las Vino, 2022 'CBDB' — *Chenin Blanc* — Nicolas Peterkin, Great Southern, WA 166**

*"So let me tell you how this is: it's a summer's day, by the ocean, perhaps Margaret River, a whiff of orange blossom and thyme with sea spray. There's more: lemon verbena, and Odie's wood oil, while the palate is salty, tangy, juicy and mouthwatering with a slip of texture, fine acidity all the way through. It is superbly balanced and so, so good."*

- Not our words, but those of Jane Faulkner (Halliday Wine Companion). No wonder she gave it 96 points!

## **Moondarra, 2018 'Samba Side' — *Pinot Noir* — Neil Prentice, Gippsland, VIC 176**

Neil likes to make his wines with what he calls "funkosité", saying:

*"I think it describes our approach to making Pinot Noir perfectly. Moondarra Pinots are not missionary position Pinot Noirs that are technically perfect. Rather they reflect our 'crazy-horse-trash' soul. They're cloudy, 'reverse-cowgirl' styled wines with flannelette texture and introspective soul."* (Pronounced; fun-Cos-itY)

## **Aóri Wines 2022 — *Kotsifali Tinto* — Aimilios Andrei, Crete, Greece 125**

Aimilios Andrei is a young sommelier turned wine maker from the mountainous Chania region of Crete. There, in the mountains, he has discovered and brought back to life old Kotsifali bush vines, planted over a hundred years ago at 800m altitude. Having tasted his wines we truly believe the sky is the limit for these vines and this variety as the soft, crunchy tannins, red cherry brightness and violets gives us serious Sicily meets Nebbiolo vibes.

# SPARKLING

It's said that the French monk, Dom Pérignon, invented the production of sparkling wines in the Champagne region in 1668 with the words "*Come quickly! I am tasting the stars!*".

That joy, that effervescent and untameable sense of occasion, has been linked to these wines ever since. So let's raise a glass to the good times. Here's to the bubbles!

## PETILLANT NATUREL

Wines are bottled before they finish primary fermentation. As they finish, the carbon dioxide that would normally be expelled is trapped in the bottle. Unfiltered, fruity, and often a bit wild.

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### **Aristotelis Ke Anthoula, Mads Park-Neilson Tony Zafirakos – Southern Highlands, New South Wales**

2023 'Pash & Pop' – *Zibibbo* 71

### **Meredith, Mem Hemmings – Hilltops, New South Wales**

2023 'A Little Lie Down' – *Sauvignon Blanc* 86

### **Commune of Buttons, Jasper and Sophie Button – Adelaide Hills, South Australia**

2022 'Ancestrale' – *Pinot Noir, Chardonnay* 97

### **Good Intentions Wine Co., Andy Burchell – Mt. Gambier, South Australia**

2022 'Petillant Pop!' – *Semillon* 93

### **Dr. Edge, Peter Dredge – Tamar Valley, Tasmania**

2023 'Dr. Ongo' – *Pinot Noir, Meunier, Riesling* 87

### **Les Errances, Warren & Maïté Perrocheau – Loire Valley, France**

2022 'Tohu Bohu' – *Chenin Blanc* 106

### **Domaine Jousset, Lise & Bertrand Jousset – Loire Valley, France**

2021 'Exilé' – *Gamay, Grolleau* 126

### **Renardat-Fache, Alain Renardat – Savoie, France**

2021 Bugey-Cerdon – *Gamay, Poulsard* 117

### **Costadilà – Veneto, Italy**

N.V. '330sml' – *Glera* 82

2022 'Moz' – *Glera* 107

### **I Vigneri, Salvo Foti – Sicily, Italy**

2016 Metodo Classico Rosato 'Vinudilice' – *Grecanico, Minnella, Alicante* 217

### **Staffelter Hoff, Jan Matthias Klein – Mosel, Germany**

N.V. 'Rizzy Star Must' – *Riesling* 129



## CHARMAT METHOD

Secondary fermentation takes place in huge tanks. Expect light, uncomplicated flavours and definitely look towards the King Valley in Victoria, Australia's Prosecco capital.

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### **Soleil, Tom Sheer & James Audas – Alpine Valleys, Victoria**

N.V. *Glera* 62

### **Continental Platter – King Valley, Victoria**

N.V. 'Prosecco' – *Glera* 78

## TRADITIONAL METHOD

Secondary fermentation is facilitated by adding yeast and sugar to the finished still wine. This leads to the longest lasting and finest bubbles, the nuttiest, most biscuity flavours, the most finesse.

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### **Bellebonne, Natalie Fryar – Pipers River, Tasmania**

2018 'Vintage Cuvée' – *Chardonnay, Pinot Noir* 150

### **Alessandro Viola – Sicily, Italy**

N.V. 'Blanc De Blanc' – *Catarratto* 168

### **Peter Lauer, Florian Lauer – Saar, Germany**

2018 'Crémant' – *Riesling* 159

### **Ori Marani – Imereti, Georgia**

N.V. 'Laora' – *Riesling* 126

## CHAMPAGNE

"Too much of anything is bad, but too much Champagne is just right." - F. Scott Fitzgerald.

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### **Mouzon-Leroux, Sebastian Mouzon – Vertus**

(2020) N.V. 'L'Atavique' Verzy Grand Cru – *Pinot Noir, Chardonnay* 212

### **Egly Ouriet, Francis Egly – Ambonnay**

(2016) N.V. Grand Cru – *Pinot Noir, Chardonnay* 552

# WHITE WINE

## RIESLING

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Riesling is not only one of the greatest joys of the known world, it is also one of the most maligned and misunderstood.

So in the interests of humanity and the patrons of this bar, we present some simple, objective and irrefutable facts on this most refreshing and delicious of beverages.

1. Riesling is the best drink in this bar.
2. Riesling is the best drink in any bar.
3. Up until the early 20th Century Rieslings were the most expensive wines in the world.
4. Today, Riesling is the best value wine in the universe.
5. Riesling runs the entire spectrum of the sweetness spectrum – from bone dry to super sugary.
6. Made correctly, a Riesling's sweetness and acidity should be in perfect harmony.  
(That means sweeter styles should have loads of acid, keeping them super-fresh.)
7. Sweeter styles that lack this acidity will never be seen in this bar and in fact have no right to call themselves Rieslings. They bring shame and sadness to all true Riesling lovers.
8. Sweeter Rieslings are typically low in alcohol, meaning you can drink even more  
(which, given how easy they are to drink, is a huge bonus).
9. There are several unconfirmed reports of Rieslings curing the terminally ill. Seriously.
10. Australian Riesling is continually diversifying and improving – the best are among the best in the world.



*"We believe the date of picking is the most crucial part of the process. Once the grapes make their way to the winery, they are carefully nurtured with each batch treated individually. An understanding of terroir and the individual varieties enables us to produce unique wines using nothing but the grapes and a small amount of sulphur."*

- Jono and Damon Koerner - Clare Valley, SA

## Australia

### **Shobbrook Wines, Tom Shobbrook – Barossa Valley, South Australia**

2022 Riesling 89

### **The Wine Farm, Neil & Anna Hawkins – Gippsland, Victoria**

2019 Riesling 114

### **Nikau Farm, Dane Johns – Gippsland, Victoria**

2018 'Tolone' 160

### **Mac Forbes – Strathbogie, Victoria**

2021 'RS98' 100

### **Valentine Wines, Dominic Valentine – Woori Yallock, Victoria**

2021 Riesling 84

### **Koerner, Damon and Jonathan Koerner – Clare Valley, South Australia**

2023 'Gullyview' 117

2022 'Parish Vineyard' 117

2023 'Old Vine' 117

### **La Violetta, AJ Hoadley – Great Southern, Western Australia**

2023 'Little Sak' 88

### **Two Tonne, Ricky Evans – Tamar Valley, Tasmania**

2022 'TMV' 78

### **Dr. Edge, Peter Dredge – Tamar Valley, Tasmania**

2023 'Tasmania' 89

## Rest of the World

### **Vita Wines, William Bowman – North Canterbury, New Zealand**

2022 'Zoë' 124

### **Clemensbusch, Clemens Busch – Mosel, Germany**

2021 'Trocken' 120

### **Peter Lauer, Florian Lauer – Saar, Germany**

2021 'Faß 2' Ayler 132

# CHARDONNAY

Ok, we get it. There are those of you out there who identify with “ABC” crowd (“Anything But Chardonnay”) and for whatever regretful experience you’ve had with a flabby, overly buttery, bulk-made incarnation of this wonderfully versatile grape, we can only sympathise.

The truth though, is that unlike it’s picky Burgundian neighbour Pinot Noir, Chardonnay is the easy-going, co-operative mate who just wants everyone to get along. Equally at home in high society as down the local pub, it’ll grow just about anywhere and can take most things that you throw at it. Aussie Chardonnay is now in its Goldilocks phase, where it has flavour but also freshness – bold and svelte in equal measure.

In the hands of the best winemakers, like those below, it can transcend the ordinary into something truly magnificent.

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## Australia

### **Frankly, This Wine Was Made by Bob, Bob & Tom Coleman — Blue Mountains, NSW Multi-Regional**

2022 Chardonnay 92

### **Vin De Chez, Nathaniel ‘Sanchez’ Hatwell – Hilltops, New South Wales**

2022 Chardonnay 96

### **Meredith, Mem Hemmings – Hilltops, New South Wales**

2022 ‘Kindest Regards’ 122

### **Tyrrell’s, Andrew Spinaze – Hunter Valley, New South Wales**

2011 ‘Vat 47’ 194

### **Chateau Acid, Charlie O’Brien & Simon Jones – Central Ranges, New South Wales**

2021 Chardonnay 90

### **Luke Lambert – Yarra Valley, Victoria**

2021 Chardonnay 122

### **Patrick Sullivan – Gippsland, Victoria**

2023 Chardonnay 89

2019 ‘Ada River’ 174

2020 ‘Baw Baw’ 142

### **Gentle Folk, Gareth & Rainbo Belton – Adelaide Hills, South Australia**

2020 ‘Piccadilly’ 137

### **Les Fruits, Tim Stock – Adelaide Hills, South Australia**

2022 ‘Collines’ 78

2022 ‘La Butte’ 92

### **Sigurd, Dan Graham – Adelaide Hills, South Australia**

2021 ‘Joan’ 120

### **Commune of Buttons, Jasper and Sophie Button – Adelaide Hills, South Australia**

2022 ‘Clover’ 96

### **Shobbrook Wines, Tom Shobbrook – Barossa Valley, South Australia**

2022 Chardonnay 89

**La Violetta, AJ Hoadley – Great Southern, Western Australia**

2021 'Chagrin' 86

**Two Tonne, Sarah Adamson and Greg Lane – Tamar Valley, Tasmania**

2022 'TMV' 87

**Dr. Edge, Peter Dredge – Tamar Valley, Tasmania**

2023 'Chardennui' — *Chardonnay, Riesling* 92

2023 Chardonnay 134

**Holyman, Joe Holyman – Tamar Valley, Tasmania**

2022 Chardonnay 138

**Rest of the World**

**Black Estate, Nicholas Brown & Pen Naish – North Canterbury, New-Zealand**

2020 'Home' 157

**Château de Béru, Athénaïs de Béru – Chablis, Burgundy, France**

2021 Chablis 195

**Domaine de Chassorney, Frédéric Cossard – Côte d'Or, Burgundy, France**

2018 Saint-Romain 'Combe Bazin' 348

**Maison Valette, Philippe Valette – Burgundy, France**

2020 Mâcon-Villages 197



*"Chardennui is anything but tired or listless. Level of dissatisfaction is up to you."*

- Peter "Dr Edge" Dredge, Winemaker

# SAUVIGNON BLANC, SEMILLON AND CHENIN BLANC

If you type “Sauvignon Blanc” into google, one of the prompts is “is Sauvignon Blanc only from New Zealand?”. Such is the explosion in popularity of this aromatic grape varietal since the surge in exports from Marlborough in the mid 2000’s that, for some, it has become synonymous with the land of the long white cloud.

But ‘Savvy B’ can trace it’s roots (that’s a vine pun) much further back, to the Loire Valley and Bordeaux (wine historians cannot seem to decide which), along with it’s friends, neighbours and sometime-blending-partners Semillon and Chenin Blanc.

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## Australia

**Thomas Wines, Andrew and Daniel Thomas – Hunter Valley, New South Wales**

2017 ‘Braemore’ – *Sémillon* 162

**Sabi Wabi, Peta Kotz – Hunter Valley, New South Wales**

2023 ‘Sugi’ – *Semillon* 85

**Alkina, Mike Thomas – Barossa Valley, South Australia**

2021 ‘Wild Earth’ – *Semillon, Riesling, Trebbiano* 114

**Les Fruits, Tim Stock – Adelaide Hills, South Australia**

2022 ‘Lolo’ – *Sauvignon Blanc* 74

**Poppelvej, Uffe Deichmann – McLaren Vale, South Australia**

2023 ‘Irrésistible Impulse’ – *Sauvignon Blanc* 97

**Poppelvej, Uffe Deichmann – McLaren Vale, South Australia**

2023 ‘Blue Rose Case’ – *Chenin Blanc* 87

**Las Vino, Nicolas Peterkin – Great Southern, Western Australia**

2022 ‘CBDB’ – *Chenin Blanc* 166

**Domaine Simha, Nav Singh – Tasmania, Multi-Regional**

2020 ‘Field Blend Blanc’ – *Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay, Riesling* – Derwent Valley 98

## France

**Domaine Gueguen, Céline Brocard Gueguen – Burgundy, France**

2022 Bourgogne Saint-Bris – *Sauvignon Blanc* 108

**Domaine Jousset, Bertrand Jousset – Loire Valley, France**

2022 ‘Premier Rendez-Vous’ – *Chenin Blanc* 184

## OTHER WHITE VARIETIES

Did you know that in her book *Wine Grapes*, famous wine critic and writer Jancis Robinson lists 1,368 different varieties of wine grapes cultivated around the world? On these pages you'll find our favourites from Australia and beyond.

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### Australia

#### **Bobar, Sally and Tom Belford – Yarra Valley , Victoria**

2021 *Viognier* 101

#### **Yarra Yering, Sarah Crowe – Yarra Valley, Victoria**

2009 'Carrodous' – *Viognier* 302

#### **Defialy, Micah Hewitt – Victoria, Multi-Regional**

2022 'Pale Blue Eyes' – *Savagnin* 88

#### **Koerner Wines, Damon & Jonathon Koerner – South Australia, Multi-Regional**

2022 'Rolle' – *Vermentino* 103

2021 'Leko' – *Savagnin* 101

#### **Vinous Heroin Society, Samuel J. Smith – McLaren Vale, South Australia**

2023 'Kuitpo' – *Gewürztraminer (500mL)* 84

#### **Frederick Stevenson, Steve Crawford – Adelaide Hills, South Australia**

2022 'Bianco' – *Vermentino, Inziola, Pecorino* 70

#### **Manon, Tim Webber and Monique Millton – Adelaide Hills, South Australia**

2021 'Geoponika' – *Savagnin, Chardonnay* 128

2021 'Juno' – *Savagnin* 128

#### **Shobbrook Wines, Tom Shobbrook – Barossa Valley, South Australia**

2022 'Pedro' – *Pedro Ximenez* 90

#### **Domaine Simha, Nav Singh – Tasmania, Multi-Regional**

2020 'Paysan Fleur Sauvage' – *Riesling, Chardonnay* 92

## France

*"Give me books, French wine, fruit, fine weather and a little music played out of doors by somebody I do not know."*  
— John Keats

### **Domaine de la Tourlaudiere, Romain Petiteau – Loire Valley, France**

2021 'Catorpe' – *Melon de Bourgogne* 110

### **Mader, Jerome Mader – Alsace, France**

2018 'Schlossberg' – *Pinot Gris* 160

### **Marcel Diess – Alsace, France**

2004 'Bergheim' Grand Cru – *Pinot Gris, Pinot Blanc, Gewurtztraminer, Riesling* 380

### **Maxime Magnon – Languedoc-Roussillon, France**

2022 'Le Bégou' Corbières – *Grenache Blanc, Grenache Gris* 217

### **Les Pieds sur Terre, Valentin Morel – Jura, France**

2020 'Albinos' – *Poulsard (direct press)* 207

### **Frédéric Cossard – Burgundy, France**

2019 'Feel Good' Qvevri – *Savagnin* 287

## Italy

### **Linnaea, Daniel Fischl & Michelle Edwards – Piedmont, Italy**

2021 'Allora' – *Cortese* 90

### **Elena Walch – Alto Adige, Trentino-Alto Adige, Italy**

2023 *Pinot Grigio* 106

### **Sfera, Cristiano Garella & Mario Zanusso – Friuli Venezia-Giulia, Italy**

N.V. '1 Litro' – *Ribolla Gialla* 97

### **Arianna Occhipinti – Sicily, Italy**

2022 'SP68' – *Muscat of Alexandria, Albanello* 127

### **Frank Cornelissen – Sicily, Italy**

2021 'Munjebel' Etna Bianco – *Carricante, Grecanico Dorato* 242

### **Alessandro Viola – Sicily, Italy**

2022 'Note Di Bianco' – *Grillo* 98



## Rest of the World

### **Matthias Warnung – Kamptal, Austria**

2019 'Espere' — *Gruner Veltliner* 144

### **Zudugari – Getaria, Spain**

2023 *Txakoli* 72

### **Serra i Barceló — Terra Alta, Spain**

2022 'Aucalà' — *Garnatxa Blanca* 99

### **Quinta do Ameal — Ponte de Lima, Spain**

2020 *Loureiro* 108

### **Corta y Raspa — Marco de Jerez, Spain**

2021 'Viña de Miraflores Alta' — *Palomino de Parcela* 125

### **Aóri Wines — Crete, Greece**

2022 *Muscat de Spina Blanco* 85

# ORANGE WINES

Why 'Orange' wine?

1. It's a delicious beverage that has an orange colour (although in reality the colour can range from yellow to orange, to brown, to pink).
  2. It's made from grapes (white ones). And never from oranges.
  3. It's not usually from the town of Orange, but there's no reason it couldn't be.
  4. It is made by leaving the white grape skins in contact with the pressed juice (in much the same way that red wines are made by macerating the red grape skins with the clear juice to get their red colour).
  5. The maceration tends to give the wine more texture and an aroma and flavour that is at least different to white wine, and is in many cases arguably superior because of the added complexity from the skins.
  6. Some wine regions are defined by their production of Orange wine, particularly Georgia, and Italy's North-Eastern Friuli. Nowhere locally has yet taken this mantle. But there is still time. We'd put money on the Adelaide Hills.
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## Australia

**Aristotelis Ke Anthoula, Mads Park-Neilson Tony Zafirakos – Southern Highlands, New South Wales**

2023 'Whiteish' – *Fiano* 78

2023 'Retsini' – *Zibibbo* 92

**Frankly, This Wine Was Made by Bob, Bob & Tom Coleman – Blue Mountains, NSW Multi-Regional**

2022 'Blanc' – *Sauvignon blanc, Chardonnay, Verdelho* 78

**Defialy, Micah Hewitt – Victoria Multi-Regional**

2023 'Of Time and Place' – *Fiano, Greco* 79

**Dirty Black Denim, Tim and Lawrence Scanlon – Nagambie, Victoria**

2021 *Marsanne* 89

**Doom Juice – Riverland, South Australia**

2023 'Weiss' – *Gewürztraminer & Vermentino* 72

**Poppelvej, Uffe Deichmann – Adelaide Hills, South Australia**

2021 'RÅ' – *Chardonnay* 87

**Frederick Stevenson, Steve Crawford – Adelaide Hills, South Australia**

2021 'Morbinos' – *Malvasia* 88

**Dr. Edge, Peter Dredge – Tamar Valley, Tasmania**

2023 'Ambrosia' – *Schonburger, Pinot Gris* 89

## Rest of the World

### **Cantina Giardino, Antonio and Daniela Giardino – Campania, Italy**

2021 'Paski' – *Coda di Volpe* 151

### **Sàgona, Daniele Corrotti – Tuscany, Italy**

2021 'FonFon' – *Trebbiano* 130

### **Paolo Bea, Giampiero Bea – Umbria, Italy**

2016 'Arboreus' – *Trebbiano* 287

### **Azienda Agricola Serraggia, Gabrio & Giotto Bini – Sicily, Italy**

2016 *Zibbibo* 292

### **Staffelter Hoff, Jan Matthias Klein – Mosel, Germany**

2020 'Orange Utan' – *Riesling, Muscat* 165

### **Kollektiv Peterzell, Paul Schuster, Sion Ecker and David Ferris – Burgenland, Austria**

2021 'Carajillo' – *Blaüfrankisch, Grüner Veltliner, Sauvignon Blanc, Pinot Noir, Saint Laurent, Zewigelt* 157

### **Okro's, John Okruashvili – Kakheti, Georgia**

2023 'Zvari' – *Rkatsiteli, Mtsvane, Saperavi, Budeshuri, Tsolikouri, Tavkveri* 99

# ROSÉ

Rosé is wine made from red grapes that are pressed so lightly that only a touch of colour is extracted from the grape skins. It's actually fairly rare for rosé to be made by adding red and white wine – that tends to only ever happen at teenage birthday parties and in the cellars of natural winemakers.

The amount of maceration the skins have with the juice in the wine – along with the variety of the grapes used – is the main factor that determines the colour of the wine – and despite what anyone tells you, more colour in no way signifies more sweetness. And for the record, no rosés with residual sugar will ever land on this list. They are, without exception, gross.

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## **Meredith, Mem Hemmings – Hilltops, New South Wales**

2023 'Such Small Hands' – *Syrah* 81

## **Ravensworth, Bryan Martin – Canberra District, New South Wales**

2022 'Velo' – *Oxidative Nebbiolo* 84

## **Aristotelis Ke Anthoula, Mads Park-Neilson Tony Zafirakos – Southern Highlands, New South Wales**

2023 'Pink' – *Field Blend* 78

## **Benson and The Mooch, Benson Brown & Joel Mucci – Southern Highlands, New South Wales**

2022 'Bisou' – *Shiraz* 82

## **Chateau Acid, Charlie O'Brien & Simon Jones – Central Ranges, New South Wales**

2021 'Rosato' – *Syrah* 74

## **Frankly, this wine was made by Bob, Bob & Tom Coleman – Blue Mountains, N.S.W. Multi-Regional**

2022 *Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Primitivo, Shiraz, Gewurztraminer* 78

## **Somos, Ben Caldwell and Mauricio Ruiz Cantú – McLaren Vale, South Australia**

2022 *Barbera* 72

## **Scintilla, James Madden – Adelaide Hills, South Australia**

2020 'Nightfall' – *Chardonnay, Pinot Noir* 85

2022 'Joy's Wild Fruits' – *Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Pinot Noir* 85

## **Francois Cotat – Loire Valley – Loire Valley, France**

2020 Sancerre Rosé – *Pinot Noir* 192

## **Domaine Pinchinat, Alain de Welle – Provence, France**

2022 'Vénus de Pinchinat' – *Grenache, Syrah, Cinsault, Mourvèdre* 77

## **Maxime Magnon – Languedoc-Roussillon, France**

2022 'Métisse' Corbières – *Grenache, Cinsault, Carignan, Syrah* 162

## **Le Coste, Gianmarco Antonuzzi & Clémentine Bouveron - Lazio, Italy**

2020 'Rosato' – *Aleatico* 197

## **Guttarolo, Cristiano Guttarolo – Puglia, Italy**

2021 'Amphora' – *Primitivo, Susumaniello* 118

## **Ancestrale, Cantina Giardino, Caravaglio & Giorgio De Maria – Sicily, Italy**

2019 'Vino Rosso II' – *Nerello Mascalese, Corinto Nero, Perricone* 132

## **Beka's Wine, Beta Gotsadze – Guria, Georgia**

2021 *Chkhaveri* 132

# RED WINE

For whatever reason, a lot of people seem to think that the ideal red wine temperature is... room temperature —white wine belongs in the fridge, sure, but red wine belongs in...the room? But room temperature is typically around 20 degrees, and in the Sydney summer those temps can sky-rocket, even with the wonders of air-con, whereas the ideal serving temperature for red wine is anywhere between 13 and 18 degrees. So, yeah: room temp is no bueno. But don't let those numbers throw you off. We're not asking you to get a thermometer out and stick it into your wine bottle—that would be weird. This should be pretty intuitive stuff. You know what room temperature feels like because, chances are, you're currently in...a room. And your red wine should taste and feel at least a little bit cooler than that. Light reds generally prefer lower serving temperatures and so below we've got a selection of our favourites.

## NOUVE-AUS AND OTHER LIGHT REDS

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All wines in this section are served at 14°C

**Sabi Wabi, Peta Kotz – Hunter Valley, New South Wales**

2023 'Nomu' – *Syrah* 89

**Frankly, this wine was made by Bob, Bob & Tom Coleman – Blue Mountains, N.S.W. Multi-Regional**

2022 *Field Blend* 78

**William Downie – Gippsland, Victoria**

2023 'Cathedral' – *Pinot Noir* 86

**Doom Juice – Riverland, South Australia**

2023 'Rouge' – *Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz* 72

**Jean Bouteille, JB Courdresses – Adelaide Hills, South Australia**

2023 'Duo Paradiso' – *Shiraz, Viognier* 80

**Les Fruits, Tim Stock – Adelaide Hills, South Australia**

2022 'Gonzo' – *Cinsault, Grenache* 82

**Vinous Heroin Society, Samuel J. Smith – McLaren Vale, South Australia**

2023 'Ballad of the Broken Boy, & Beyond' – *Cabernet Sauvignon Blend (500mL)* 86

**Parley – McLaren Vale, South Australia**

2023 'Mood in Scarlet' – *Cabernet Sauvignon* 74

**La Violetta, AJ Hoadley – Great Southern, Western Australia**

2021 'Lounge Chill' – *Grenache* 82

**Macea, Cipriano Barsanti – Tuscany, Italy**

2020 *Pinot Nero* 169

**Matthias Warnung – Kamptal, Austria**

2019 'Basis' – *Zweigelt* 127

# P I N O T N O I R

That most elusive of grapes.

Pinot Noir, like a French lover, demands a winemaker's constant attention and utter devotion. A Goldilocks grape that likes it neither too hot, or too cold, but just right. Aussie winemakers have found the sweetest of spots in regions like Gippsland and Tasmania, where this fickle little beauty is producing wines that rival their Burgundian cousins. These wines are here to make a party on your palate - but with a dress code.

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## Australia & NZ

### **M&J Becker Wines, Megan & James Becker — Hilltops, New South Wales**

2023 'Tumbarumba' — *Pinot Noir* 85

### **Valentine Wines, Dominic Valentine — Yarra Valley, Victoria**

2019 'Lone Star Creek' 92

### **William Downie — Gippsland, Victoria**

2023 'Cathedral' 86

2021 'Camp Hill' 189

2021 'Bullswamp' 217

### **Entropy, Ryan Ponsford — Gippsland, Victoria**

2021 'Willow Grove' 142

### **Moondarra, Neil Prentice — Gippsland, Victoria**

2018 'Samba Side' 176

### **Gentle Folk, Gareth & Rainbo Belton — Adelaide Hills, South Australia**

2022 'Monomeith' 139

### **Koerner Wines, Damon & Jonathon Koerner — Clare Valley, South Australia**

2021 'Adel Hills' 72

### **Dr. Edge, Peter Dredge — Tamar Valley, Tasmania**

2023 'Tyrannosaurus dREDge' — *Pinot Meunier* 90

2023 'Pinot Rain' 92

2023 'Concrete Matured' 134

2023 'Barrique Matured' 134

### **Holyman, Jo Holyman — Tamar Valley, Tasmania**

2017 'Museum Release' 222

### **Mount Edward, Duncan Forsyth — Central Otago, New Zealand**

2014 'Morrison' 207

## France

### **Domaine de Chassorney, Frédéric Cossard – Burgundy, France**

2020 Bourgogne ‘Bedeau’ 240

2020 ‘Sous Roche’ Saint-Romain 348

### **Domaine AMI, Paul Marchand & Willy Roulende – Burgundy, France**

2021 Bourgogne Rouge 172

### **Château de Bérus, Laurence & Athénaïs de Bérus – Burgundy, France**

2020 Cotes d’Auxerre 170

### **Anne & Jean Francois Ganevat – Jura, France**

2020 ‘Julien’ 322

# THE CABERNETS AND MERLOT

Ever heard of “The *Sideways* Effect”?

The 2004 Movie *Sideways* is generally credited with depressing the market for Merlot wine, based on a memorable line from the movie when Paul Giamatti’s character colourfully proclaims his disdain for the grape variety — (the back story is that his ex-wife drank Merlot) — declaring, “No, if anyone orders Merlot, I’m leaving. I am NOT drinking any f\*\*\*\*\* Merlot!”

Poor Merlot! This noble plum-bomb of a grape produces some of the most intense, powerful, elegant and sophisticated wines on any wine list, and when combined with it’s good friend and neighbour, Cabernet, you’ve got the making of the one of the best blends in the world. Here are some that we hope will have you asking for more f\*\*\*\*\* Merlot!

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## **Samantha May – Mudjee, New South Wales**

2023 ‘Rizzo’ – *Cabernet Sauvignon, Syrah* 78

## **Balmy Nights, Dan Simmons— Hilltops, New South Wales**

2023 ‘I am ~~not~~ drinking fkn Merlot’ – *Merlot* 78

## **Defialy, Micah Hewitt – Macedon Ranges, Victoria**

2022 ‘Willow Run’ – *Cabernet Sauvignon* 98

## **Mac Forbes, Hannah Hodges – Yarra Valley, Victoria**

2021 ‘Hugh’ – *Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Petit Verdot* 160

## **Poppelvej, Uffe Deichmann— McLaren Vale, South Australia**

NV ‘RØD’ – *Field Blend* 75

## **Geyer Wine Co, David Geyer – Sellicks Hill, South Australia**

2020 ‘Seaside’ – *Cabernet Franc* 88

## **Frankland Estate, Hunter Smith – Frankland River, Western Australia**

2018 ‘Olmo’s Reward’ – *Cabernet Franc, Merlot, and Malbec* 199

## **Peco, Hannah & Ben Pearson – Tamar Valley, Tasmania**

2022 ‘The Meadow’ – *Merlot* 87

## **Domaine De L’Ausseil, Jacques de Chancel – Roussillon, France**

2021 ‘P’tit Piaf Rouge’ – *Merlot* 94



## GRENACHE, SHIRAZ, MOURVÈDRE AND FRIENDS

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### Australia

**Vin De Chez, Nathaniel 'Sanchez' Hatwell – Hilltops, New South Wales**

2022 *Syrah* 96

**Moments Mori, Dane & Hannah John – Heathcote, Victoria**

2020 'The Incline' – *Shiraz* 92

**Syrahmi, Adam Foster – Heathcote, Victoria**

2023 'Demi' – *Shiraz* 78

**Shobbrook Wines, Tom Shobbrook – Barossa Valley, South Australia**

2019 'Ottantotto' – *Shiraz* 252

**Commune of Buttons, Jasper and Sophie Button – Adelaide Hills, South Australia**

2022 'Mylor' – *Syrah* 90

**Unico Zelo, Brendan & Laura Carter – Adelaide Hills, South Australia**

2021 Troppo 'Big Red' – *Shiraz, Merlot* 78

**Les Fruits, Tim Stock – Adelaide Hills, South Australia**

2023 'Occitan' – *Grenache, Syrah, Carignan* 70

**Frederick Stevenson, Steve Crawford – Adelaide Hills, South Australia**

2023 'Piñata' – *Cinsault, Grenache, Syrah, Mourvèdre* 67

**Wendouree, A.P. Birks – Clare Valley, South Australia**

2019 *Shiraz, Malbec* 322

**Poppelvej, Uffe Deichmann – McLaren Vale, South Australia**

2023 'Blue Rose Case' – *Cinsault* 92

**La Violetta, AJ Hoadley – Great Southern, Western Australia**

2023 'Up!' – *Shiraz* 88

### Rest of the World

**Domaine L'Anglore, Eric Pfifferling – Rhône Valley, France**

2019 'Pierre Chaude' – *Grenache, Mourvèdre* 197

**Maxime Magnon – Languedoc-Roussillon, France**

2022 'Rozeta' Corbières – *Carignan, Grenache, Cinsault* 197

**Terroir al Límit, Dominik Huber – Priorat, Spain**

2019 'Terra de Cuques' – *Grenache, Carignan* 202

2020 'Arbossar' – *Carignan* 372

**Craven Wines, Mick & Jeanine Craven – Stellenbosch, South Africa**

2021 *Cinsault* 94

## MEDITERRANEAN AND OTHERS INTERESTING REDS

Australia has always had a love affair with French grape varieties. Statistically, our top ten most-grown grapes are all French, with Syrah (or good ol' Aussie Shiraz as it's known here), Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon dominating our production.

Yet most of our Australian grape-growing climates are more akin to Bolgheri than Burgundy. More similar to Sicily than Sancerre. Our warm seasons and plentiful sunlight are motivating more growers and winemakers to look to our Mediterranean cousins for inspiration in recent years and, with climate change, we expect to see a lot more Tempranillos and Teroldegos in Australia's future!

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### **Aristotelis Ke Anthoula, Mads Park-Neilson Tony Zafirakos – Southern Highlands, New South Wales**

2022 'Riverland Red' – *Separavi, Petit Verdot* 91

### **Balmy Nights, Dan Simmons— Hilltops, New South Wales**

2023 'Red' – *Sangiovese* 78

### **Iolana Wine, Jeanette Ortiz – Hilltops, New South Wales**

2023 'El Corazon' – *Tempranillo* 104

### **Somos, Ben Caldwell and Mauricio Ruiz Cantú – McLaren Vale, South Australia**

2023 *Mencia* 72

### **Poppelvej, Uffe Deichmann – McLaren Vale, South Australia**

2022 'Lille' – *Teroldego* 92

### **Frederick Stevenson, Steve Crawford – Adelaide Hills, South Australia**

2022 *Nero D'Avola* 77

2023 *Sangiovese* 88

2022 *Montepulciano* 88

### **Koerner Wines, Damon & Jonathon Koerner – Clare Valley, South Australia**

2021 'Mammolo' – *Sciacarello* 107

### **La Violetta, AJ Hoadley – Great Southern, Western Australia**

2018 'Tempter' – *Tempranillo* 88

2018 'Bilingue' – *Grenache, Mataro, Syrah* 94

### **Agricola Sette, Gian Luca Colombo – Piemonte, Italy**

2021 Nizza – *Barbera* 172

### **Le Calendre – Veneto, Italy**

2022 'Valpolicella Classico' – *Corvina, Rondinella* 88

### **Mamete Prevostini – Lombardy, Italy**

2022 'Botonero' – *Nebbiolo* 109

### **Aóri Wines – Crete, Greece**

2022 *Kotsifali Tinto* 125

## MAGNUMS (1500ML)

Because why not when you're among friends?!

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### **Defialy, Micah Hewitt – Victoria, Multi-Regional**

2021 'Pale Blue Eyes' – <i>Savagnin</i>	176
2021 'Amber Skyes' – <i>Moscato Giallo, Pinot Gris</i>	176
2021 'Vineyard of No Love' – <i>Pinot Noir</i>	176

### **Good Intentions Wine Co., Andy Burchell – Mount Gambier, South Australia**

2019 'Artesian Lava' – <i>Riesling</i>	236
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### **Scintilla, James Madden – Adelaide Hills, South Australia**

2019 <i>Pinot Noir</i>	155
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### **Commune of Buttons, Jasper and Sophie Button – Adelaide Hills, South Australia**

2019 'Basketolo' – <i>Nebbiolo</i>	194
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### **Foradori, Elisabetta Foradori – Trentino, Italy**

2022 'Fuoripista' – <i>Pinot Grigio</i>	382
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### **Pacina, Giovanna Tezzi and Stefano Borsa – Tuscany, Italy**

2015 'Pacina Rosso' Toscana – <i>Sangiovese, Canaiolo, Cilieggiolo</i>	252
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### **Bruno Duchêne – Roussillon, France**

2020 Collioure 'L'Anodine' – <i>Grenache, Carignan</i>	829
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### **Clos Cibonne, Olivier Deforge – Provence, France**

2020 Côtes de Provence 'Rouge' – <i>Tibouren, Grenache</i>	251
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### **Gut Oggau, Stephanie Tscheppe-Eselböck and Eduard Tscheppe – Burgenland, Austria**

2020 'Maskerade Rosé' – <i>Blaufränkisch, Zweigelt (1L)</i>	177
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