



Welcome to the National Wine Centre of Australia.

Although a wine list is usually supposed to provide clarity to a drinker's decision making, we give you fair warning that reading this will most likely add to the confusion. Fear not, our staff know how to spell and use grammar when required, but with 120 white, rosé and red wines available by the glass, as well as a decent smattering of well-chosen sparkling, sweet and fortified options we wish you the best of luck in this endeavour.

Our advice is simple! Walk around our Wined Bar and look at all our pretty and enticing bottles and select something that jumps out at you and says "Drink me," but not in the *Alice in Wonderland* likely to shrink way but definitely in the *Alice in Wonderland* you will be taken on an amazing journey kind of way.

Enjoy!

"If I ever found a pot of gold

I'd buy bottles untold of the nectar of the vines

'Cause I'm going to die with a twinkle in my eye

'Cause I sung songs, spun stories, loved, laughed, and drank wine"

The Cat Empire, 2003



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Blind Tasting



For those with the flutter of adventure or those who take games of Monopoly way too seriously we have the perfect challenge for you.

We have dedicated 16 wines to those of you who love to throw down the gauntlet. With eight white and eight red wines to choose from, chance your hand at a guess or two to see how knowledgeable you are when it comes to the nectar of the vines.

Here are the parameters;

- All wines are from Australia
- They could be single varietals or blends
- Our sommelier will try and trip you up

This is educational with the aim to teach you how to blind taste. Answers will be given by staff once you have written your answers.

So see our staff for a set of questions to answer, pull up a pew and stick your nose in the glass and have a stab in the dark and regardless of your guess, answer with confidence!

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Organic, Vegan, Biodynamic and everything else....

There has been a big push over the last few years for organic, biodynamic, vegan or sustainable produce. We have made the conscious decision to identify those that adhere to these standards for the ever more discerning customer. Please note that our position is that most of the wineries we showcase are family wineries or small wineries that do this not for riches but for the sheer love of their job and the bigger wineries are equally aware of the impacts they can have on the environment. Those who are not organic or biodynamic usually have very good reason for not being so and those wineries that do use sulphur or systemic sprays only do so when they need to and not just for the sake of it.



Certified Organic – To be certified organic you can go through two organisations in Australia (ACO and NASAA) and on a yearly basis (cost is upwards of \$1000 depending on the size of your production) you have your vineyards assessed and discuss the next 12 months management plan. There is a strict list of what products you can use in the vineyard. It takes three years to achieve full certification in Australia.



Vegan – Wine in its most natural form is completely Vegan, it is fermented grape juice and they use oak, concrete, clay or stainless steel to ferment the wine which is bottled in glass with a cork or stainless steel cap. Wineries can filter or fine their wine with egg whites, skim milk powder, gelatine or Isinglass (sturgeon swim bladder gelatine). If they do not use these methods then their wine will be vegan.



Biodynamic- Created by Rudolf Steiner in 1924, this is a form of agriculture that emphasises the use of manures and composts and treats animals, soils and crops as a single system. The principle also focuses on a planting calendar based on phases of the moon broken into root, leaf, flower and fruit days. Wineries need to go through similar processes with certification as applied in the Organic certification process.



Sustainable- This applies to people who practice biodynamic or organic methods but do not choose to be certified. Ron Laughton, Jasper Hill *"I'm not certified, and I don't wish to be", explains Ron, "I can stand up with my hand on my heart and say I've been doing it for nearly 40 years... I think those that are using chemicals on their vineyard should be licensed. Why should I be certified to be clean, and do nothing harmful in my vineyard?"*

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Sparkling Wine, Fizz, Champers & Bubbles

N.V	Pierre Peters 'Cuvee de Reserve Blanc de Blancs' Chardonnay Champagne, France	23/110
2015	Sittelle 'Grand Vintage Marie Christien Lugten' Pinot Noir, Chardonnay Pemberton, WA	12.5/60
N.V	Grey-Smith 'Blanc de Blancs' Chardonnay Mount Gambier, SA	11.5/54
2018	Billy Button 'Zero Dosage' Prosecco King Valley, VIC	11.5/52
N.V	Bleasdale Sparkling Shiraz Langhorne Creek, S.A	11.5/50




Riesling (reez-ling)

2018	Glaetzer-Dixon 'Uberblanc' <i>Riesling</i> Tasmania	16.7/67
2018	Liz Heidenreich <i>Riesling</i> Clare Valley, S.A	 10/40
2018	Duke's 'Magpie Hill' <i>Riesling</i> Great Southern, W.A	16.2/65
2018	Robert Stein 'Reserve' <i>Riesling</i> Mudgee, NSW	14.5/58
2019	Reed Wines 'White Heart' <i>Riesling</i> Geelong, VIC	 12.5/50
2018	Rockford 'Hand Picked' <i>Riesling</i> Eden Valley, S.A	14.5/58
2018	Helm Wines <i>Riesling</i> Tumbarumba, NSW	 12.5/50
2019	Mac Forbes 'RS3' <i>Riesling</i> Strathbogie Ranges, VIC	  15.2/61
2009	Kanta 'Museum Release' <i>Riesling</i> Adelaide Hills, SA	15/60
2016	Pressing Matters 'R9' <i>Riesling</i> Tasmania	13.2/53
2018	Grosset 'Springvale' <i>Riesling</i> Clare Valley, SA	  16.2/65





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Sauvignon Blanc (savvy-bee)

2019	Sidewood <i>Sauvignon Blanc</i> Adelaide Hills, S.A		11.2/45
2018	Singlefile 'Fume Blanc' <i>Sauvignon Blanc</i> Pemberton, WA		11.2/45
2018	Heroes <i>Sauvignon Blanc</i> Geelong, VIC	 	11.2/45

Sauvignon Blanc & Semillon Blends .. "Oooo a cheeky SSB..."

2018	Sorrenberg <i>Sauvignon Blanc & Semillon</i> Beechworth, VIC	 	15/60
2018	Oates Ends <i>Sauvignon Blanc & Semillon</i> Margaret River, WA	 	11.2/45

Semillon (sem-ih-yon)

2018	Thomas Wines 'Braemore' <i>Semillon</i> Hunter Valley, NSW		12.5/50
2012	Tyrrell's 'Vat 1' <i>Semillon</i> Hunter Valley, NSW		28.8/116

Pinot Gris (French) & Grigio (Italian)

2015	Scorpo <i>Pinot Gris</i> Mornington Peninsula, VIC		15.5/62
2018	Primo Estate 'Joseph D'Elena' <i>Pinot Grigio</i> McLaren Vale, SA		12.5/50



Alternative White Varietals

2018	Willem Kurt <i>Vermentino</i> Alpine Valleys, VIC	 	8.8/35
2018	Wines of Merritt <i>Chenin Blanc</i> Margaret River, WA	 	15/60
2019	Yangarra 'Blanc' <i>Grenache Blanc blend</i> McLaren Vale, SA	 	11.5/46
2018	Jim Barry <i>Assyrtiko</i> Clare Valley, SA		13.2/53
2017	Moon Wines <i>Marsanne</i> Nagambie Lakes, VIC		15/60
2014	Tahbilk <i>Roussanne, Marsanne & Viognier</i> Nagambie Lakes, VIC		10/40
2019	Vinden Estate <i>Verdehlo</i> Hunter Valley, NSW	 	10/40
2012	Hoddles Creek Estate '1ER' <i>Pinot Blanc</i> Yarra Valley, VIC		11.2/45
2017	Pinemount <i>Fiano</i> Murray Darling, VIC		9.5/38
2018	Lark Hill <i>Gruner Veltliner</i> Canberra District, ACT	 	8.5/34
2018	Vineyard 28 <i>Arneis</i> Geographe, WA		8.5/34
2018	Chalmers Project 'VCR 485' <i>Pecorino</i> Mildura, VIC		12.5/50

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Chardonnay..nay

2014	Canobolas-Smith 'Shine' <i>Chardonnay</i> Orange, NSW	✓ 21.9/88
2013	Talisman 'Gabrielle' <i>Chardonnay</i> Geographe, WA	13/52
2017	Cooke Brothers 'Schoenthal' <i>Chardonnay</i> Adelaide Hills, SA	✓ 12.5/50
2018	Tolpuddle <i>Chardonnay</i> Tasmania	✓ 27.3/110
2018	Nocturne <i>Chardonnay</i> Margaret River, WA	11.2/45
2013	Howard Park <i>Chardonnay</i> Margaret River, WA	22.4/90
2015	Leeuwin Estate 'Art Series' <i>Chardonnay</i> Margaret River, WA	33.5/135
2016	Oakridge '864' <i>Chardonnay</i> Yarra Valley, VIC	27.3/110

Rosé with an 'ay'

2018	Spinifex <i>Grenache</i> Barossa Valley, SA	✓ 11.2/45
2018	Logan 'Hannah' <i>Pinot Noir Blend</i> Orange, NSW	✓ 10/40
2018	Mada Wines 'Wombat' <i>Nebbiolo</i> Hilltops, NSW	✓ 11.2/45
2018	The Hedonist <i>Sangiovese</i> McLaren Vale, SA	✓ 11.2/45

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Pinot Noir (French) , Pinot Nero (Italian) & Spätburgunder (German)

2017	CRFT 'The Whisson Lake' <i>Pinot Noir</i> Adelaide Hills, SA		14.5/58
2016	Altaness <i>Pinot Noir</i> Tasmania		15/60
2018	Seville Estate <i>Pinot Noir</i> Yarra Valley, VIC		15/60
2017	Bass Phillip 'Premium' <i>Pinot Noir</i> Gippsland, VIC		67/270
2017	Byrne 'Gisborne' <i>Pinot Noir</i> Sunbury, VIC		14.5/58

Italian alternative varieties

2014	Collector 'Rose Red City' <i>Sangiovese</i> Canberra District, ACT		11.2/45
2014	Pipan-Steel 'Last Glass' <i>Nebbiolo</i> Alpine Valleys, VIC		13.7/55
2018	Linnaea '8 Track Sally' <i>Sangiovese</i> Heathcote, VIC		15.2/61
2016	Castagna 'Adam's Rib' <i>Sangiovese, Syrah</i> Beechworth, VIC		16.2/65
2019	Ricca Terra <i>Nero D'Avola</i> Riverland SA		10/40
2018	Boireann Estate 'La Cima' <i>Barbera</i> Granite Belt, QLD		13.2/53
2018	XO Wine Co. <i>Barbera</i> Adelaide Hills, SA		12.5/50
2017	Dub Style <i>Primitivo</i> McLaren Vale, SA		11.2/45
2015	Balancing Rock 'Reserve' <i>Sagrantino</i> Granite Belt, QLD		19.9/80

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French, Spanish and other alternative varietals

2015	Terre a Terre 'Crayeres Vineyard' <i>Cabernet Franc</i> Wrattonbully, SA	✓	14.7/59
2017	Mount Majura <i>Tempranillo</i> Canberra District, ACT	✓	17.4/70
2017	The Islander 'Majestic Plough' <i>Malbec</i> Kangaroo Island, S.A	✓	15/60
2017	Henty Farm <i>Pinot Meunier</i> Henty, VIC	✓	13.7/55
2017	Samuel's Gorge <i>Graciano</i> McLaren Vale, SA		17.9/72
2017	Punt Road <i>Gamay</i> Yarra Valley, VIC	✓	12/48
2015	Scion <i>Durif</i> Rutherglen, VIC	✓	14.5/58
2018	Ministry of Clouds <i>Tempranillo, Grenache</i> McLaren Vale, SA	✓	13/52
2014	Toppers Mountain <i>Tannat</i> New England, NSW		13.7/55
2006	Hewitson 'Private Cellar' <i>Tempranillo</i> Southern Fleurieu, S.A		21.1/85
N.V	Fairbrossen <i>Saperavi</i> Perth Hills, WA	✓	14.5/58

Grenache (French), Garnacha (Spanish) & Cannonau (Italian)

2016	After Five Wine Co. <i>Grenache</i> Barossa Valley, SA	✓	13.2/53
2018	Valentine Wines <i>Grenache</i> Heathcote, VIC		12.5/50
2018	Bakkheia 'Wonderful Miss Gerry' <i>Grenache</i> Geographe, WA	✓	21.1/85
2016	Ochota Barrels 'Sense of Compression' <i>Grenache</i> Adelaide Hills, SA	✓	26.1/105
2009	Charles Melton 'Richelieu' <i>Grenache</i> Barossa Valley, SA		24.9/100

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GSM, GMS, MGS, MSG, SGM, SMG & now MCG Blends but no SCG

2017	Tellurian Wines <i>Grenache, Shiraz, Mataro</i> Heathcote, VIC	✓	12/48
2015	Ironcloud 'Rock of Solitude' <i>Grenache, Shiraz, Mataro</i> Geographe, WA	✓	12.5/50
2018	Rouleur Wine Co. 'MCG' <i>Mataro, Cinsault, Grenache</i> McLaren Vale, SA	✓	13.7/55
2018	Head Wines 'Head Red' <i>Grenache, Shiraz, Mataro</i> Barossa Valley, SA	✓	11.5/46

Cabernet Sauvignon.. please don't say CARRRRR - bonnay

2014	Parker Estate '95 Block' <i>Cabernet Sauvignon</i> Coonawarra, SA		23.6/95
2015	Eden Road 'Gundagai' <i>Cabernet Sauvignon</i> Gundagai, NSW	✓	15/60
2013	Cassiodorus <i>Cabernet Sauvignon</i> Margaret River, WA	✓	21.1/85
2015	Poonawatta 'Four Corners' Walk <i>Cabernet Sauvignon</i> Barossa, SA	⊙ ✓	15/60
2016	Moss Wood <i>Cabernet Sauvignon</i> Margaret River, WA	✓	37.2/150
2006	Jim Barry 'Benbournie' <i>Cabernet Sauvignon</i> Clare Valley, SA	✓	24.9/100

Cabernet Sauvignon Blends.. sometimes accidentally

2013	Evoi Estate 'The Satyr' <i>Cabernet Sauvignon, Malbec, Petit Verdot</i> Margaret River, WA		22.4/90
2017	Bleasdale 'Frank Potts' <i>Cabernet Sauvignon, Blend</i> Langhorne Creek, SA	✓	12.5/50
2015	David Franz 'Plane Turning Right' <i>Merlot, Petit Verdot, Cabernet</i> Barossa Valley, SA	✓	10.5/42
2012	Lindemans 'Pyrus' <i>Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Petit Verdot</i> Coonawarra, SA		22.4/90

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Shiraz Blends, for when you run out of Shiraz

2016	Tripe.Iscariot 'Marrow' <i>Syrah, Malbec</i> Margaret River, WA		16.9/68
2015	Yalumba 'The Signature' <i>Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz</i> Barossa, SA	✓	22.4/90
2018	Fleet 'Red' <i>Syrah, Pinot Noir</i> Gippsland, VIC	✓	12.5/50
2018	Nick Spencer 'Dry Red' <i>Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon, Touriga</i> Gundagai, NSW	✓	11.2/45
2017	Clonakilla <i>Shiraz, Viognier</i> Canberra District, ACT		36/145

Shiraz (shir-ahz ... mate) & **Syrah** (see-rah)

2017	Glenguin 'Schoolhouse Block' <i>Shiraz</i> Hunter Valley, NSW	🍷	16.2/65
2017	Mount Langhi Ghiran 'Talus' <i>Shiraz</i> Great Western, VIC	✓	23.6/95
2017	Shiny Wine <i>Syrah</i> Tasmania	✓	19.4/78
2014	Salomon Estate 'Finniss River' <i>Shiraz</i> Southern Fleurieu, SA	✓	13/52
2017	Murdoch Hill 'Landau' <i>Syrah</i> Adelaide Hills, SA	✓	17.9/72
2019	Coulter 'C4' <i>Syrah</i> Eden Valley, SA	✓	12.5/50
2015	Ulithorne 'Frux Frugis' <i>Shiraz</i> McLaren Vale, SA	✓	32.3/130
2010	Two Hands 'Ares' <i>Shiraz</i> Barossa Valley & McLaren Vale, SA		45.9/185
2010	Torbreck 'The Factor' <i>Shiraz</i> Barossa Valley, SA		39.7/160
2014	Penfolds 'Grange' <i>Shiraz</i> Multi-Regional, SA		175/855

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Sparkling Wine Flight - \$18

- N.V. Grey-Smith 'Blanc de Blancs' *Chardonnay*
Mount Gambier, SA
- 2015 Sittella 'Grand Vintage Marie Christien Lugten' *Pinot Noir & Chardonnay*
Pemberton, WA
- N.V. Bleasdale Sparkling *Shiraz*
Lanhorne Creek, SA

Sweet Wine Flight - \$18

- 2017 Heggies Vineyard 'Botrytis' *Riesling*
Eden Valley, SA
- 2008 Primo Estate 'La Magia' *Riesling, Traminer*
McLaren Vale, SA
- 2015 De Bortoli 'Noble One' Botrytis *Semillon*
Riverina, NSW

Fortified Wine Flight - \$18

- M.V. Pfeiffer 'Classic' *Muscat*
Rutherglen, VIC
- 2016 Kalleske 'J.M.K VP' *Shiraz*
Barossa Valley, SA
- M.V. Talijanich 'Julian James' Liqueur *Shiraz*
Swan Valley, WA