



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 many 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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## NWC at Home



With the moon socially distancing itself from Earth right now, we have changed our model of masterclasses and ways educating people in the wonders of wine. We are conducting masterclasses virtually through Zoom each Thursday night covering each Australian region in alphabetical order. The perks of this is that we are opening a lot of really nice bottles. So if you want to join in on the fun and partake in a glass or two from a region that you might not be familiar with then feel free to sample a flight or a glass or two.

### Week 21 : King Valley, VIC

Wine Flights – Red or White \$18 ea.

2019 Vignerons Schmölder & Brown Obstgarten K *Riesling*

2016 Range Life *Garganega*

2019 Terrason *Aligote*

2019 Mutual Promise *Gamay*

2019 Dal Zotto *Sangiovese*

2015 Sam Miranda *Nebbiolo*

2015 De Bortoli Bella Rive *Sangiovese*

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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 fungicides 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	N.V Daosa Natural Reserve <i>Pinot Noir &amp; Chardonnay</i> Tasmania	14/65
N.V	Grey-Smith 'Blanc de Blancs' <i>Chardonnay</i> Mount Gambier, SA	13.5/60
2016	Dal Zotto 'Col Fondo' <i>Prosecco</i> King Valley, VIC	11/45
N.V	Bleasdale Sparkling <i>Shiraz</i> Langhorne Creek, S.A	11.5/50
2019	Spring Seed 'Sweet Pea' <i>Moscato</i> McLaren Vale, SA	8.5/35

### Riesling (reez-ling)

2018	Helm Wines 'Classic Dry' <i>Riesling</i> Canberra District, ACT	14.2/57
2018	Tim Adams 'Skilly Ridge' <i>Riesling</i> Clare Valley, SA	12.5/50
2018	Castle Rock 'Estate' <i>Riesling</i> Great Southern, WA	11.2/45
2019	Grosset 'Polish Hill' <i>Riesling</i> Clare Valley, SA	23.6/95

### Sauvignon Blanc (savvy-bee)

2018	Wines of Merritt <i>Sauvignon Blanc</i> Margaret River, WA	12.5/50
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### Semillon (sem-ih-yon)

2018	The Islander 'Wally White' <i>Semillon</i> Kangaroo Island, SA	13.5/58
2012	Tyrrell's 'Vat 1' <i>Semillon</i> Hunter Valley, NSW	28.8/116

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

2017	Pierro 'LTC' <i>Semillon, Sauvignon Blanc</i> Margaret River, WA	12.7/51
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**Pinot Gris (French) & Grigio (Italian)**

2019	Reed + Ross <i>Pinot Gris</i> Mornington Peninsula, VIC	13.5/54
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**Alternative White Varietals**

2018	Tellurian <i>Fiano</i> Heathcote, VIC	11/45
2019	Jim Barry <i>Assyrtiko</i> Clare Valley, SA	15/60
2019	Stoney Rise <i>Gruner Veltliner</i> Tasmania	14.5/58
2018	Next Crop <i>Pinot Blanc</i> Adelaide Hills, SA	11.5/46
2019	Vineyard 28 <i>Arneis</i> Geographe, WA	10/40
2018	Tripe.Iscariot 'Karridale' <i>Chenin Blanc</i> Margaret River, WA	13.7/55
2019	Vignerons Schmolzer & Brown Schatz <i>Sylvaner</i> King Valley, VIC	15/60

**Chardonnay..nay**

2018	Clarence House <i>Chardonnay</i> Tasmania	13.7/55
2017	Punt Road <i>Chardonnay</i> Yarra Valley, VIC	10/40
2017	Honey Moon Vineyard <i>Chardonnay</i> Adelaide Hills, SA	17.9/72
2017	Mac Forbes 'Hoddles Creek' <i>Chardonnay</i> Yarra Valley, VIC	22.4/90

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### Rosé with an 'ay'

2018	Logan 'Hannah' <i>Pinot Noir Blend</i> Orange, NSW	10/40
2018	Nocturne Rose <i>Nebbiolo</i> Margaret River, WA	13.5/54
2019	Freeman 'Rondo' <i>Rondinella Rose</i> Hilltops, NSW	10/40
2019	Turon Pinot <i>Rose</i> Adelaide Hills, SA	11.2/45

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

2017	CRFT 'Budenberg' <i>Pinot Noir</i> Adelaide Hills, SA	14.5/58
2017	Byrne 'Gisborne' <i>Pinot Noir</i> Sunbury, VIC	14.5/58
2018	Bindi 'Dixon' <i>Pinot Noir</i> Macedon Ranges, VIC	22.4/90

### Italian alternative varieties

2016	Collector 'Rose Red City' <i>Sangiovese</i> Canberra District, ACT	11.2/45
2018	Boireann La Cima Superiore <i>Barbera</i> Granite Belt, QLD	13.2/53
2019	Tscharke 'The Master' <i>Montepulciano</i> Barossa Valley, SA	9/36
2019	Ricca Terra <i>Nero D'Avola</i> Riverland, SA	10/40
2017	Jasper Hill 'Georgia's Paddock' <i>Nebbiolo</i> Heathcote, VIC	24.9/100

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**French, Spanish and other alternative varietals**

2017	Terrason <i>Gamay</i> King Valley, VIC	11.2/45
2019	Stargazer 'Rada' <i>Pinot Meunier, Pinot Noir</i> Tasmania	15.9/64
2017	Mount Majura <i>Tempranillo</i> Canberra District, ACT	17.4/70
2015	Scion <i>Durif</i> Rutherglen, VIC	14.5/58
2015	Merite <i>Merlot</i> Wrattonbully, SA	21.6/87

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

2017	Alainn Fion 'PJ Limited' <i>Grenache</i> Barossa Valley, SA	14.5/58
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**GSM, GMS, MGS, MSG, SGM, SMG & now MCG Blends but no SCG**

2016	Ironcloud 'Rock of Solitude' <i>Grenache, Shiraz, Mataro</i> Geographe, WA	12.5/50
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**Cabernet Sauvignon.. please don't say CARRRRR - bonnay**

2018	Cooke Brothers 'Auchli' <i>Cabernet Sauvignon</i> Barossa Valley, SA	13.7/55
2017	Redman <i>Cabernet Sauvignon</i> Coonawarra, SA	13.7/55
2018	Fleet 'Silverwaters' <i>Cabernet Sauvignon</i> Gippsland, VIC	13.5/66

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**Shiraz Blends**, for when you run out of Shiraz

2018	Nick Spencer 'Medium Dry Red' <i>Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon, Touriga</i> Gundagai, NSW	11.2/45
2017	Max & Me 'The House Blend' <i>Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz</i> Eden Valley, SA	17.4/70

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

2016	Salomon Estate 'Finniss River' <i>Shiraz</i> Southern Fleurieu, SA	13/52
2017	Brokenwood <i>Shiraz</i> Hunter Valley, NSW	16.9/68
2012	Penfolds 'RWT' <i>Shiraz</i> Barossa Valley, SA	57.1/230
2010	Coriole 'Lloyd Reserve' <i>Shiraz</i> McLaren Vale, SA	38.5/155





### Sparkling Wine Flight - \$18

- N.V            Grey-Smith 'Blanc de Blancs' *Chardonnay*  
                  Mount Gambier, SA
- N.V            Daosa Natural Reserve Sparkling *Pinot Noir Chardonnay*  
                  Adelaide Hills, SA
- N.V            Bleasdale Sparkling *Shiraz*  
                  Langhorne Creek, SA

### Sweet Wine Flight - \$18

- 2017           Heggies Vineyard 'Botrytis' *Riesling*  
                  Eden Valley, SA
- 2017           Fighting Gully Road 'Moelleux' *Gros Manseng*  
                  Beechworth, VIC
- 2015           De Bortoli 'Noble One' Botrytis *Semillon*  
                  Riverina, NSW

### Fortified Wine Flight - \$18

- M.V           Pfeiffer 'Classic' *Muscat*  
                  Rutherglen, VIC
- M.V           Seppeltsfield 'DP57' Grand *Tokay*  
                  Rutherglen, VIC
- M.V           Talijanich 'Julian James' Liqueur *Shiraz*  
                  Swan Valley, WA