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VISION:

For the McLaren Vale Wine Show to be recognised as the premier regional wine show in Australia.

MISSION:

1. To showcase McLaren Vale wines and the region to local, interstate and international markets.
2. To ensure that excellence in varietal expression, viticulture, production, provenance and sub-regionality are celebrated.
3. To develop a vehicle that provides experiences and creates value for the producers and assists them in effectively promoting their products.
4. To contribute in building the presence and prestige that is brand McLaren Vale.
5. To innovate, engage and educate in order to enable the producers to connect with media and the general public to build interest in the region as a whole.
6. To have best practice administration with a diverse and strong committee structure, as well as traceable and transparent use of funds.

McLaren Vale Wine Show - 2023 Committee Members

We would like to acknowledge the following volunteers whose hard work throughout the year makes the McLaren Vale Wine Show possible:

Co-Chairs:

Jolene Swayn	Hardys Tintara
Andre Bondar	Bondar Wines

Committee Members:

Peter Kennedy	Geoff Johnston Wines
Dawne Thomas	Thomas Vineyard Estate
Ben Wilcox	d'Arenberg Wines
Julie Kennedy	Wirra Wirra Wines
Gonzalo Sanchez	Lloyd Brothers
Jon Overcash	My McLaren Vale
Siubhan Wilcox	Hardys Tintara
Duncan Lloyd	Coriole
Fabiano Minchella	By Fabiano Wines
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In the spirit of reconciliation, McLaren Vale Grape Wine and Tourism Association acknowledges the Kurna People as traditional custodians of the McLaren Vale region and their connections to land, sea and community.

We pay our respect to their elders past, present and emerging and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today.



McLaren Vale Wine Show - 2023 Judges



Chair of Judges - Andrew Thomas

Andrew Thomas, son of legendary Bushing Monarch Wayne Thomas, was always destined to work in wine. During his formative winemaking years (and despite being groomed for a possible winemaking career in South Australia) he developed a deep passion for finesse, and the more subtle and savoury structured wines of the Hunter Valley. Andrew began his winemaking journey at Tyrrell's Vineyards under the guidance of Murray Tyrrell. Overseas vintage stints included

Sonoma, Tuscany, Piedmont and Provence. Thomas Wines was established in 1997 with a clear and focused objective to specialise in single vineyard Hunter Valley semillon and shiraz. Since then, Andrew has been Awarded Hunter Valley Winemaker of the Year in 2008 and 2014, with his wines winning numerous awards and trophies over the years.



International Judge - Sean Ou

Sean Ou served the highly acclaimed Singapore Airlines as a Sommelier and Trainer for 11 years before clipping his wings. His long aspiration to become a Master of Wine has led him down the path of achieving the elusive WSET Level 4 Diploma. In addition to being a Wine Communicator, his repertoire also extends to being a Sake Specialist and Spirits Evangelist, partaking in international judging duties. His past professional experience also spans across serving as

Head of Wine for Southeast Asia under the SARMENT Group and currently he sits as the Head of Education for the BEVERAGE CLIQUE ACADEMY.

Judges

Chair of Judges - James Halliday Grenache Challenge

James Halliday

Panel Chairs

Liz Silkman

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Toby Barlow

Rob Mack

First Creek Wines

TWE Global

Aphelion

Judges

Lauren Hansen

Marcell Kustos

Nicole Wilson

Greg Clack

Leigh Ratzmer

Penley Estate

Wine Concepts & Concierge

Hardys Tintara

XO Wine Co

Teusner

Associate Judges

Ashleigh Seymour

Luke Broadbent

Jared Stringer

Luke Mallaby

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Brett Smith

Paxton Wines

The Usual Suspects

The Lane Vineyard

Mitolo Wines

Murray Street Wines

Belvidere Winery




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Angove Family Winemakers	Vineyard	Saltfleet Wines
Aphelion Wine Co.	Hiddenfire wines	Scarpantoni Estate
Aramis Vineyards	Hither & Yon	Serafino Wines
Bec Hardy Wines	Hugh Hamilton Wines	Sew & Sew Wines Pty Ltd
Bellevue Estate	Hugo Wines Pty Ltd	Shadow Creek
Berg Herring	In Praise of Shadows	Sherrah Wines
Big Easy Radio Pty Ltd	Jelka Wine	Shingleback
Blewitt Springs Wine Co	Jericho Wines Pty Ltd	Shirvington Wines
Bondar Wines	Juxtaposed Wines	Shottesbrooke Vineyards
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Brokenwood Wines	Karrawatta Pty Ltd	Sisters Run Wine Co
By Fabiano	Kay Brothers	Soursob Pty Ltd
Chalk Hill Wines Pty Ltd	Larnook Wines	The Other Wine Co Pty Ltd
Chapel Hill Winery	Leconfield Wines Pty Ltd	The Pawn
Cooter & Cooter	Lino Ramble	The Usual Suspects Collective
Coriole	Lloyd Brothers Wine	Thicker Than Water Wines
CW Wines	Loom Wine Group	Three Dark Horses
Dandelion Vineyards	Main & Cherry	Three Kings Wine Merchants
d'Arenberg	Maxwell Wines	Treasury Wine Estates
Dog Day Wines	Mazi wines	Varney Wines
DogRidge	McCarthy's Orchard	Vigna Bottin Wines
Dowie Doole	Merchant of Organics	Vok Beverages
Field Day Wine Co.	Ministry of Clouds	Willunga Hundred Pty Ltd
Fox Creek Wines	Miracle Hill Pty Ltd	Wirra Wirra Vineyards
G. Patritti & Co	Mitolo Wines	Woodstock Wine
Gargoyle Wines	MMAD Pty Ltd	Yangarra Estate Vineyard
Geddes Wines	Mollydooker Wines	XO Wine Co
Gemtree Wines	Mr. Riggs Wine Co.	Zerella Wines
Geoff Merrill Wines	Nick Haselgrove Wines	Zonte's Footstep
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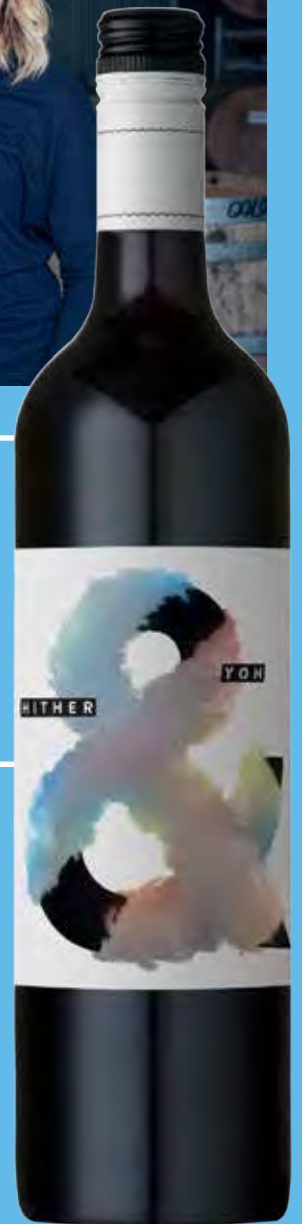


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Lloyd Brothers 2023 McLaren Vale Picpoul

Best Fiano

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d'Arenberg 2023 The Sun Surfer Fiano

Best Rosé

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Hugo Wines 2023 Rosé

Best One Year Old Grenache

sponsored by McLaren Vintners

Serafino Wines 2022 Reserve Grenache

Best One Year Old or Younger Shiraz

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Thistledown 2022 Cunning Plan Shiraz

Best Grenache Predominant Blend

sponsored by Langley & Co Advisors

Wirra Wirra Vineyards 2022 Original Blend Grenache Shiraz

Best Shiraz Predominant Blend

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**Shottesbrooke Vineyards Engine Room by Hamish Maguire
2022 Shiraz Tempranillo**

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McLaren Vale Wine Show 2023 - Trophies

Best Other Red and Other Blends

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Best Two Year Old Shiraz

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Best Two Year Old or Younger Cabernet Sauvignon

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Best Single Vineyard Wine Any Style (other than Shiraz)

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MMAD Vineyard 2022 Blewitt Springs Chenin Blanc



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Best Single Vineyard Viticulturalist

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Best Single Vineyard Shiraz

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Shingleback Unedited 2018 McLaren Vale Shiraz

Best Grenache

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Serafino Wines 2022 Reserve Grenache

Best Shiraz

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Thistledown 2022 Cuning Plan Shiraz

Best Cabernet Sauvignon

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Class 01 - Traditional white wine and blends of

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
5	MMAD Pty Ltd	MMAD Vineyard 2022 Blewitt Springs Chenin Blanc	96	Top Gold
4	Coriole	Coriole 2023 Chenin Blanc	86	Bronze
7	Dowie Doole	Dowie Doole 2022 Dowie Vineyard Chenin Blanc	85	Bronze
9	Sisters Run Wine Co	Sisters Run 2022 Sunday Slippers Chardonnay	85	Bronze
13	Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill 2023 The Parson Verdelho	85	Bronze
1	Paxton Wines	Paxton Wines 2023 Biodynamic Pinot Gris		
2	Kay Brothers	Kay Brothers 2023 Petit Blanc		
3	Sherrah Wines	Sherrah 2023 Chenin Blanc		
6	Aphelion Wine Co.	Aphelion Wine Co 2022 Pir Chenin Blanc		
8	Vok Beverages	Beresford 2022 Classic Chardonnay		
10	Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill 2022 The MV Gorge Block Chardonnay		
11	Serafino Wines	Serafino Sharktooth 2022 Chardonnay		
12	DogRidge	DogRidge 2022 Butterfingers Barrel-Aged Chardonnay		

Judges: Ian McKenzie, Lauren Hansen, Nicole Wilson, Luke Mallaby, Brett Smith

Class Comments: One clear standout in a lineup of broad, out of balance wines.

Class 02 - New and Emerging whites and blends of

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
17	Lloyd Brothers Wine	Lloyd Brothers 2023 McLaren Vale Picpoul	96	Top Gold
19	Larnook Wines	Larnook 2023 Grenache Gris	95	Gold
4	Vigna Bottin Wines	Vigna Bottin 2023 Vermentino	92	Silver
5	Berg Herring	Berg Herring 2023 Vermentino	92	Silver
15	Coriole	Coriole 2023 Picpoul	90	Silver
21	Aphelion Wine Co.	Aphelion Wine Co 2022 Callow Grenache Blanc	90	Silver
14	Larnook Wines	Larnook 2023 Picpoul	88	Bronze
22	Lino Ramble	Lino Ramble 2023 Dot To Dot Arinto	88	Bronze
16	Ministry of Clouds	Ministry of Clouds 2023 Picpoul	87	Bronze
2	Chalk Hill Wines	Chalk Hill 2023 Vermentino	86	Bronze
7	Kangarilla Road Winery	Kangarilla Road 2016 Duetto Vermentino Fiano	86	Bronze
10	Alliance Wine Australia	Thistledown 2022 Walking with Kings Roussanne Grenache Blanc	86	Bronze
6	Vigna Bottin Wines	Vigna Bottin 2022 Vermentino	85	Bronze
1	Varney Wines	Varney Wines 2023 Vermentino		
3	Mitolo Wines	Mitolo Wines 2023 Jester Vermentino		
8	Tenuta Minchella	By Fabiano 2023 Greco Fiano		
9	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2022 The Hermit Crab Viognier Marsanne		
11	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2023 The Money Spider Roussanne		
12	Yangarra Estate Vineyard	Yangarra Estate Vineyard 2022 Roussanne		
13	Yangarra Estate Vineyard	Yangarra Estate Vineyard 2023 Piquepoul		
18	Lino Ramble	Lino Ramble 2022 Solitaire Grillo		
20	Yangarra Estate Vineyard	Yangarra Estate Vineyard 2022 Blanc		

Judges: Liz Silkman, Marcell Kustos, Leigh Ratzmer, Jared Stringer, Ollie Thomas

Class Comments: An impressive class and nice to see some attention here in both the vineyard and winery. Top wines showed freshness, acid balance and well handled phenolics.



Class 03 - Fiano and blends of

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
12	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2023 The Sun Surfer Fiano	96	Top Gold
8	Chalk Hill Wines	Chalk Hill 2023 Fiano	95	Gold
23	Hugo Wines	Hugo Wines 2023 Fiano	95	Gold
14	Oliver's Taranga Vineyards	Oliver's Taranga Vineyards 2023 Fiano	93	Silver
9	Leconfield Wines Pty Ltd	Richard Hamilton 2023 La Valle Fiano	90	Silver
21	Sherrah Wines	Sherrah 2023 Fiano	90	Silver
19	Vok Beverages	Beresford 2023 Emblem Fiano	90	Silver
2	Bondar Wines	Bondar Wines 2023 Fiano	89	Bronze
17	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2023 Fi Fi Fiano	87	Bronze
6	In Praise of Shadows	In Praise of Shadows 2023 Ki Fiano	86	Bronze
13	The Usual Suspects Collective	Ox Hardy 2023 Upper Tintara Vineyard Fiano	85	Bronze
7	Serafino Wines	Serafino Bellissimo 2023 Fiano	85	Bronze
11	Gemtree Wines	Gemtree Wines 2023 Luna Crescente Fiano		
22	Tenuta Minchella	By Fabiano 2023 Fiano		
3	Shirvington Wines	Shirvington Wines 2023 Row X Row Fiano		
24	Coriole	Coriole 2023 Fiano		
10	Woodstock Wine	Woodstock 2023 Fiano		
5	Hedonist Wines	Hedonist 2023 Fiano		
4	Hither & Yon	Hither & Yon 2023 Fiano		
1	Shingleback	Shingleback NX Gen 2023 McLaren Vale Fiano		
16	Zerella Wines	Zerella Wines La Gita 2023 Fiano		
18	Berg Herring	Berg Herring 2023 Fiano		
20	Angove Family Winemakers	Angove Family Winemakers 2023 Wild Olive Organic Fiano		
15	Maxwell Wines	Maxwell Wines 2023 Fiano		

Judges: Liz Silkman, Marcell Kustos, Leigh Ratzmer, Jared Stringer, Ollie Thomas

Class Comments: An extremely enjoyable class to judge. Variation in style was rewarded.

Class 04 - Rosé

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
30	Hugo Wines	Hugo Wines 2023 Rosé	96	Top Gold
14	Serafino Wines	Goose Island 2023 Rosé	95	Gold
33	Alpha Box & Dice	Alpha Box and Dice 2023 Tarot Rosé	95	Gold
40	Willunga Hundred Pty Ltd	Willunga 100 2023 Grenache Rosé	93	Silver
2	Bondar Wines	Bondar Wines 2023 Rosé	92	Silver
17	Ministry of Clouds	Ministry of Clouds 2023 Rosé	92	Silver
22	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2023 Stephanie the Gnome With Rose Coloured Glasses Rosé	91	Silver
41	Hither & Yon	Hither & Yon 2023 Mataro Rosé	90	Silver
46	Fox Creek Wines	Fox Creek Wines 2022 Grenache Rosé	89	Bronze
32	Bec Hardy Wines	Bec Hardy 2023 Garden Series Rosé	88	Bronze
34	Coriole	Coriole 2023 Mataro Rosé	88	Bronze
38	Wirra Wirra Vineyards	Wirra Wirra Vineyards 2023 Dry Grenache Rosé	88	Bronze
4	Paxton Wines	Paxton Wines 2023 Biodynamic Rosé	87	Bronze
43	In Praise of Shadows	In Praise of Shadows 2023 Sakura Grenache Sangiovese Rosé	87	Bronze
10	Yangarra Estate Vineyard	Yangarra Estate Vineyard 2023 Rosé	86	Bronze
12	Dowie Doole	Dowie Doole 2023 Doole Vineyard Rosé	85	Bronze
16	Vok Beverages	Beresford 2023 Classic Rosé	85	Bronze
49	Varney Wines	Varney Wines 2022 Grenache Rosé	85	Bronze
1	Larnook Wines	Larnook 2023 Grenache Rosé		
3	Miracle Hill Pty Ltd	Miracle Hill 2023 Rosé		
5	Vigna Bottin Wines	Vigna Bottin 2023 Rosato		
6	Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek 2023 The Kinky Alpaca Grenache Rosé		
7	Oliver's Taranga Vineyards	Oliver's Taranga Vineyards 2023 Chica Rosé		
8	Lloyd Brothers Wine	Lloyd Brothers 2023 Hills & Coast Rosé		
9	Hedonist Wines	Hedonist 2023 Rosé		
11	Loom Wine	Loom SV 2023 Rosé		
13	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2023 Arido Grenache Rosé		
15	Berg Herring	Berg Herring 2023 Grenache Carignan Rosé		



18	Leconfield Wines Pty Ltd	Richard Hamilton 2023 Gida's Rosé
19	Gemtree Wines	Gemtree Wines 2023 Luna de Fresa Rosé
20	Grant Nash Wines	Grant Nash 2023 Grenache Graciano Rosé
21	Hastwell & Lightfoot (H&L)	Hastwell & Lightfoot (H&L) 2023 Barbera Rosé
23	Kay Brothers	Kay Brothers 2023 Grenache Rosé
24	Angove Family Winemakers	Angove Family Winemakers 2023 Wild Olive Organic Rosé
25	Varney Wines	Varney Wines 2023 Grenache Rosé
26	Mitolo Wines	Mitolo Wines 2023 Jester Sangiovese Rosé
27	Grounded Cru	Grounded Cru 2023 Grenache Rosé
28	Tenuta Minchella	By Fabiano 2023 Primitivo Rosato
29	DogRidge	DogRidge 2023 Running Free Grenache Rosé
31	Mollydooker Wines	Mollydooker Wines 2023 Serenity Rosé
35	Scarpantoni Estate	Scarpantoni Estate 2023 Gamay Rosé
36	G. Patrilli & Co	Patrilli 2023 Lavoro Grenache Rosé
37	Shirvington Wines	Shirvington Wines 2023 Row X Row Grenache Rosé
39	McCarthy's Orchard	McCarthy's Orchard 2023 The Dawn Grenache Rosé
42	Riot Wine Co	Riot Wine Co 2023 Ephemeral Contact Grenache Rosé
44	Sherrah Wines	Sherrah 2023 Grenache Rosé
45	Mazi wines	Mazi 2022 Limited Release Mourvèdre Grenache Rosé
47	Mazi wines	Mazi 2022 Mataro Cinsault Grenache Rosé
48	Ulithorne	Ulithorne 2022 Epoch Shiraz Rosé
50	Mazi wines	Mazi 2022 Grenache Rosé

Judges: Rob Mack, Ian McKenzie, Sean Ou, Greg Clack, Lauren Hansen, Nicole Wilson, Ashleigh Seymour, Luke Broadbent, Luke Mallaby, Brett Smith

Class Comments: An exciting class to judge. The best wines showed a lovely, delicate but concentrated fruit profile with length to burn. Poise and clarity is key to the strongest wines. Some wines in the class suffered from pushed ripeness or being made as an afterthought (saignee) and not picked purposefully for rose. These wines invariably perform less well.

Class 05 - Sparkling Wine

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
3	Shingleback	Shingleback NV Black Bubbles Sparkling Shiraz	88	Bronze
1	Berg Herring	Berg Herring 2023 Sparkling Pecorino		
2	Main & Cherry	Main & Cherry 2023 Sparkling Grenache Rosé		

Judges: Ian McKenzie, Lauren Hansen, Nicole Wilson, Luke Mallaby, Brett Smith

Class Comments: Well made but relatively simple wines lacking the complexity for higher points

Class 06 - Shiraz 2022 or younger

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
14	Alliance Wine Australia	Thistledown 2022 Cunning Plan Shiraz	96	Top Gold
30	Silent Noise Wines	Silent Noise 2022 FO Shiraz	96	Gold
15	Paralian Wines	Paralian 2022 Springs Hill Vineyard Shiraz	95	Gold
54	Brokenwood Wines	Brokenwood Wines 2022 Wade Block 2 Vineyard Shiraz	95	Gold
28	Accolade Wines	Hardys 2022 Tintara Shiraz	95	Gold
34	Three Dark Horses	Three Dark Horses 2022 Shiraz	94	Silver
23	Coriole	Coriole 2022 Aroona Shiraz	93	Silver
40	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2022 Merrivale Shiraz	93	Silver
47	Grounded Cru	Grounded Cru 2022 Shiraz	90	Silver
33	Orbis Wines	Orbis Wines 2022 Top 6 Shiraz	90	Silver
48	Hidden Fire Pty Ltd	Hiddenfire Wines 2022 Ingoldby Road Shiraz	90	Silver
32	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2022 Field St Shiraz	90	Silver
10	Zerella Wines	Zerella Wines 2022 Workhorse Shiraz	89	Bronze
22	Coriole	Dune 2022 Blewitt Springs Shiraz	88	Bronze
20	Bec Hardy Wines	Pertaringa 2022 Undercover Shiraz	88	Bronze
9	Heirloom Vineyards	Heirloom Vineyards 2022 McLaren Vale Shiraz	87	Bronze
3	Bondar Wines	Bondar Wines 2022 Violet Hour Shiraz	87	Bronze
36	Hither & Yon	Hither & Yon 2022 Shiraz	87	Bronze
37	Dandelion Vineyards	Dandelion Vineyards 2022 Lioness of McLaren Vale Shiraz	86	Bronze



55	MMAD Pty Ltd	MMAD Vineyard 2022 Blewitt Springs Shiraz	86	Bronze
11	Oliver's Taranga Vineyards	Oliver's Taranga Vineyards x Valtteri Bottas 2022 Ihana Shiraz	86	Bronze
41	Bellevue Estate	Bellevue Estate 2022 Shiraz	85	Bronze
16	Ministry of Clouds	Ministry of Clouds 2022 Shiraz	85	Bronze
50	Hugo Wines	Hugo Wines 2022 Johnny's Block Shiraz	85	Bronze
26	Bondar Wines	Bondar Wines 2022 Rayner Vineyard Shiraz	85	Bronze
53	Alpha Box & Dice	Alpha Box and Dice 2022 Hercules Shiraz	85	Bronze
38	In Praise of Shadows	In Praise of Shadows 2022 Shiraz	85	Bronze
43	Cooter & Cooter	Cooter & Cooter 2022 Shiraz	85	Bronze
25	Soursob Pty Ltd	Battle of Bosworth 2022 Shiraz	85	Bronze
4	Thicker Than Water Wines	Thicker Than Water 2022 Paralarva Shiraz	85	Bronze
39	Serafino Wines	Serafino Black Label 2022 Shiraz	85	Bronze
12	Serafino Wines	Serafino 2022 Malpas Vineyard McLaren Vale Shiraz	85	Bronze
2	Soursob Pty Ltd	Battle of Bosworth 2023 Puritan Preservative Free Shiraz		
29	Dog Day Wines	Rusty Mutt 2022 Original Shiraz		
6	Wirra Wirra Vineyards	Wirra Wirra Vineyards 2022 Catapult Shiraz		
17	Larnook Wines	Larnook 2022 Blewitt Springs Shiraz		
27	Paxton Wines	Paxton Wines 2022 Quandong Farm Biodynamic Shiraz		
21	Paxton Wines	Paxton Wines 2022 Argilla Biodynamic Syrah		
51	Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill 2022 The MV Shiraz		
13	Bec Hardy Wines	Pertaringa 2022 Over The Top Shiraz		
24	Jericho Wines Pty Ltd	Jericho Wines 2022 Ancient Stones Shiraz		
18	Hidden Fire Pty Ltd	Hiddenfire Wines 2022 Hunt Road Shiraz		
5	Handpicked Wines	Handpicked Wines 2022 Regional Selections McLaren Vale Shiraz		
49	Main & Cherry	Main & Cherry 2022 Shiraz		
45	Main & Cherry	Main & Cherry 2022 Clarendon Shiraz		
42	Sew & Sew Wines Pty Ltd	Sew & Sew 2022 Sashiko Shiraz		
46	Mr. Riggs Wine Co.	Mr. Brightside 2022 GenX Preservative Free Shiraz		
52	Brokenwood Wines	Brokenwood Wines 2022 Rayner Vineyard Shiraz		
7	Big Easy Radio Pty Ltd	Big Easy Radio 2022 False Idols Shiraz		
8	Yangarra Estate Vineyard	Yangarra Estate Vineyard 2022 Shiraz		
19	Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill 2022 The Parson Shiraz		
35	Field Day Wine Co.	Monterra 2022 Reserve Shiraz		WD
44	Field Day Wine Co.	Monterra 2022 Shiraz		WD
1	Merchant of Organics	Organic Hill 2023 Founders Release Shiraz		WD
31	Merchant of Organics	John Hill 2022 McLaren Vale Shiraz		WD

Judges: Liz Silkman, Rob Mack, Sean Ou, Nicole Wilson, Lauren Hansen, Leigh Ratzmer, Jared Stringer, Luke Mallaby, Ashleigh Seymour, Luke Broadbent

Class Comments: A vibrant and eclectic mix of wines to judge. The best stood tall with a sensitive winemaking approach, melding fruit, oak, vibrancy and tannin expertly. Spice driven characters derived from whole clusters added another layer of complexity to some wines. Balance shone through in the best examples. Some wines suffered from some advanced development for their age and the use of new oak is still something that needs to be paid close attention to.



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Class 07 - Shiraz 2021

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
50	A.G. Oatley Wines	Robert Oatley 2021 Signature Series Shiraz	96	Top Gold
40	Coriole	Coriole 2021 Willunga 1920 Shiraz	95	Gold
7	Coriole	Coriole 2021 The Soloist Shiraz	95	Gold
71	Leconfield Wines Pty Ltd	Leconfield 2021 McLaren Vale Shiraz	95	Gold
27	Dowie Doole	Dowie Doole 2021 DD Shiraz	95	Gold
87	Pannell Enoteca	Koomilya 2021 GT Block Shiraz	95	Gold
51	Pannell Enoteca	Koomilya 2021 JC Block Shiraz	94	Silver
54	Chalk Hill Wines	Alpha Crucis 2021 Blewitt Springs Syrah	93	Silver
83	Accolade Wines	Hardys 2021 Eileen Hardy Shiraz	93	Silver
29	Yangarra Estate Vineyard	Yangarra Estate Vineyard 2021 Shiraz	93	Silver
73	Chalk Hill Wines	Alpha Crucis 2021 Clarendon Syrah	92	Silver
75	Coriole	Coriole 2021 Estate Shiraz	92	Silver
22	Hugh Hamilton Wines	Hugh Hamilton Wines 2021 Shiraz	92	Silver
14	Hedonist Wines	Hedonist 2021 Ecology Shiraz	91	Silver
57	Shingleback	Shingleback Davey Estate 2021 McLaren Vale Shiraz	91	Silver
45	Karrawatta Pty Ltd	Karrawatta 2021 Ace of Trumps Shiraz	91	Silver
70	Loom Wine	Loom 5OS Project 2021 Block 5 Shiraz	91	Silver
53	Ministry of Clouds	Ministry of Clouds 2021 Single Vineyard Blewitt Springs Shiraz	90	Silver
69	Chalk Hill Wines	Alpha Crucis 2021 Seaview Syrah	90	Silver
12	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2021 Merrivale Shiraz	90	Silver
25	Chalk Hill Wines	Alpha Crucis 2021 Syrah	89	Bronze
66	G. Patrilli & Co	Patrilli 2021 JPB Shiraz	89	Bronze
58	The Usual Suspects Collective	Ox Hardy 2021 Upper Tintara Vineyard Shiraz	89	Bronze
79	Loom Wine	Loom 5OS Project 2021 Clark Hill Shiraz	89	Bronze
32	Angove Family Winemakers	Angove Family Winemakers 2021 Warboys Shiraz	88	Bronze
33	Chalk Hill Wines	Chalk Hill 2021 Syrah	88	Bronze
16	RedHeads Wine	RedHeads 2021 March of Progress Shiraz	88	Bronze
1	Penny's Hill	Penny's Hill 2021 The Footprint Shiraz	88	Bronze
41	The Usual Suspects Collective	Ox Hardy 2021 Slate Shiraz	88	Bronze
8	Wirra Wirra Vineyards	Wirra Wirra Vineyards 2021 Woodhenge Shiraz	88	Bronze
10	Yangarra Estate Vineyard	Yangarra Estate Vineyard 2021 King's Wood Shiraz	88	Bronze
77	Shottesbrooke Vineyards	Shottesbrooke Vineyards 2021 Estate Series Shiraz	88	Bronze
85	Dandelion Vineyards	Dandelion Vineyards 2021 Firehawk Farm Shiraz	87	Bronze
59	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2021 The Footbolt Shiraz	87	Bronze
21	Hedonist Wines	Hedonist 2021 Shiraz	86	Bronze
46	Blewitt Springs Wine Co	Blewitt Springs Wine Co 2021 Siltstone Shiraz	86	Bronze
78	Jericho Wines Pty Ltd	Jericho Wines 2021 Bracken Vineyard Shiraz	86	Bronze
15	Oliver's Taranga Vineyards	Oliver's Taranga Vineyards 2021 Shiraz	86	Bronze
90	Berg Herring	Berg Herring 2021 Shiraz	86	Bronze
63	Angove Family Winemakers	Angove Family Winemakers 2021 Shiraz	85	Bronze
9	Grounded Cru	Grounded Cru 2021 Shiraz	85	Bronze
43	Paxton Wines	Paxton Wines 2021 EJ Biodynamic Shiraz	85	Bronze
44	Lloyd Brothers Wine	Lloyd Brothers 2021 Estate Shiraz	85	Bronze
3	Haselgrove Wines Pty Ltd	Haselgrove Wines 2021 The Cruith Shiraz	85	Bronze
23	Penny's Hill	Penny's Hill 2021 The Skeleton Key Shiraz	85	Bronze
38	Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek 2021 The Barn Shiraz	85	Bronze
5	Pannell Enoteca	Koomilya 2021 DC Block Shiraz	85	Bronze
11	Kay Brothers	Kay Brothers 2021 Block 6 Shiraz		
30	Haselgrove Wines Pty Ltd	Haselgrove Wines 2021 Col Cross Shiraz		
31	Hedonist Wines	Moonvine 2021 Shiraz		
18	Dowie Doole	Dowie Doole 2021 Estate Shiraz		
84	Angove Family Winemakers	Angove Family Winemakers 2021 Wild Olive Organic Shiraz		
86	Mr. Riggs Wine Co.	Mr. Riggs Wine Co. 2021 The Gaffer Shiraz		
48	Mr. Riggs Wine Co.	Mr. Riggs Wine Co. 2021 Idle Lane Shiraz		
88	Grounded Cru	Grounded Cru 2021 Inc Shiraz		
67	Nick Haselgrove Wines	Old Faithful 2021 Pino's Block Shiraz		
13	Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill 2021 The Vinedresser Shiraz		
20	Hugo Wines	Hugo Wines 2021 Shiraz		
64	Mollydooker Wines	Mollydooker Wines 2021 Carnival of Love Shiraz		
47	Kay Brothers	Kay Brothers 2021 Basket Pressed Shiraz		
6	Accolade Wines	Hardys 2021 Tintara Shiraz		



4	Hither & Yon	Hither & Yon 2021 Leask Shiraz	
68	Sherrah Wines	Sherrah 2021 Shiraz	
39	Haselgrove Wines Pty Ltd	Haselgrove Wines 2021 The Lear Shiraz	
80	Shingleback	Red Knot 2021 McLaren Vale Shiraz	
61	Dodgy Brothers Wines	Juxtaposed 2021 Minchella Vineyard Shiraz	
36	G. Patrilli & Co	Patrilli 2021 Merchant Shiraz	
56	Penny's Hill	Penny's Hill 2021 Cracking Black Shiraz	
26	Maxwell Wines	Maxwell Wines 2021 Eocene Shiraz	
35	Loom Wine	Loom SVX 2021 Shiraz	
81	Sisters Run Wine Co	Sisters Run 2021 Epiphany McLaren Vale Shiraz	
42	Gemtree Wines	Gemtree Wines 2021 Uncut Shiraz	
2	Mr. Riggs Wine Co.	Mr. Riggs Wine Co. 2021 The Bolter Shiraz	
52	Hugo Wines	Hugo Wines 2021 Reserve Shiraz	
60	Kay Brothers	Kay Brothers 2021 Hillside Shiraz	
89	Ulithorne	Ulithorne 2021 Prospera Shiraz	
55	Lloyd Brothers Wine	Lloyd Brothers 2021 Hills & Coast Shiraz	
49	Haselgrove Wines Pty Ltd	Haselgrove Wines 2021 The Ambassador Shiraz	
65	Jericho Wines Pty Ltd	Jericho Wines 2021 S 3 Shiraz	
72	Zerella Wines	Zerella Wines 2021 Home Block Shiraz	
19	Shirvington Wines	Shirvington Wines 2021 Shiraz	
37	Maxwell Wines	Maxwell Wines 2021 Silver Hammer Shiraz	
82	Ministry of Clouds	Ministry of Clouds 2021 Single Vineyard Onkaparinga Rocks Shiraz	
74	Jericho Wines Pty Ltd	Jericho Wines 2021 Ancient Stones Shiraz	
24	Serafino Wines	Serafino Black Label 2021 Shiraz	
17	Angove Family Winemakers	Angove Family Winemakers 2021 Angels Rise Shiraz	
34	Gemtree Wines	Gemtree Wines 2021 Obsidian Shiraz	
28	Gemtree Wines	Gemtree Wines 2021 Ernest Allan Shiraz	
76	Dandelion Vineyards	Dandelion Vineyards 2021 Lion's Den McLaren Vale Shiraz	WD
62	Shingleback	Red Knot Classified 2021 McLaren Vale Shiraz	WD

Judges: Liz Silkman, Rob Mack, Ian McKenzie, Sean Ou, Nicole Wilson, Lauren Hansen, Leigh Ratzmer, Marcell Kustos, Greg Clack, Jared Stringer, Luke Mallaby, Ashleigh Seymour, Luke Broadbent, Ollie Thomas, Brett Smith

Class Comments: Interesting class of varying styles. Disappointing to see so many over oaked and faulty wines but the silver and gold awards were excellent examples from a lovely vintage. A strong bracket of wines, although some were showing earlier signs of development than would be expected from a quality vintage such as 2021. The best wines showed good use of oak in support of ripe (but not overripe) fruit to create a wine of vibrancy and structure. Some wines displayed a lack of balance due to either pushed ripeness and alcohol or overuse of winemaking artefact.

Class 08 - Shiraz 2020 or older

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
47	Shingleback	Shingleback Unedited 2018 McLaren Vale Shiraz	96	Top Gold
42	Shingleback	Shingleback The Gate 2019 McLaren Vale Shiraz	95	Gold
15	Leconfield Wines Pty Ltd	Richard Hamilton 2020 Ghost Hill Single Vineyard Shiraz	93	Silver
22	Yangarra Estate Vineyard	Yangarra Estate Vineyard 2020 Ironheart Shiraz	89	Bronze
13	Mitolo Wines	Mitolo Wines 2020 G.A.M. Shiraz	88	Bronze
37	Ulithorne	Ulithorne 2019 Dona Shiraz	88	Bronze
25	Sew & Sew Wines Pty Ltd	Sew & Sew 2020 Sashiko Shiraz	87	Bronze
10	Serafino Wines	Serafino Sharktooth 2020 Shiraz	87	Bronze
38	McCarthy's Orchard	McCarthy's Orchard 2019 Peeptoe Reserve Shiraz	86	Bronze
48	McCarthy's Orchard	McCarthy's Orchard 2015 Peeptoe Reserve Shiraz	86	Bronze
24	Angove Family Winemakers	Angove Family Winemakers 2020 Medhyk Shiraz	85	Bronze
14	Mr. Riggs Wine Co.	Mr. Riggs Wine Co. 2020 J.F.R. Shiraz	85	Bronze
39	Nick Haselgrove Wines	Old Faithful 2019 Shiraz	85	Bronze
32	Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill 2020 The Vicar Shiraz	85	Bronze
28	Shingleback	Shingleback D Block 2020 McLaren Vale Shiraz	85	Bronze
21	Oliver's Taranga Vineyards	Oliver's Taranga Vineyards 2020 HJ Shiraz	85	Bronze
43	Fox Creek Wines	Fox Creek Wines 2018 Short Row Shiraz	85	Bronze
1	Mr. Riggs Wine Co.	Mr. Riggs Wine Co. 2020 Burnt Block Shiraz		
3	Ulithorne	Ulithorne 2020 Paternus Shiraz		
5	Accolade Wines	Hardys 2020 Eileen Hardy Shiraz		
2	Shingleback	Shingleback The Gate 2020 McLaren Vale Shiraz		
20	Wirra Wirra Vineyards	Wirra Wirra Vineyards 2020 RSW Shiraz		
46	Fox Creek Wines	Fox Creek Wines 2018 Reserve Shiraz		
12	Fox Creek Wines	Fox Creek Wines 2020 Shiraz		
27	Mitolo Wines	Mitolo Wines 2020 Savitar Shiraz		



31	Grounded Cru	Grounded Cru 2020 Inc Shiraz	
4	Paxton Wines	Paxton Wines 2020 Jones Block Biodynamic Shiraz	
40	McCarthy's Orchard	McCarthy's Orchard 2019 Monkey Bum Shiraz	
7	Haselgrove Wines Pty Ltd	Haselgrove Wines 2020 Catkin Shiraz	
23	Shingleback	Red Knot Classified 2020 McLaren Vale Shiraz	
33	Shingleback	Shingleback Davey Estate 2020 McLaren Vale Shiraz	
11	Vok Beverages	Beresford 2020 Estate Shiraz	
30	Leconfield Wines Pty Ltd	Richard Hamilton 2020 Centurion Old Vine Shiraz	
18	Altschwager Kenneally	Culley Road 2020 Shiraz	
45	Aramis Vineyards	Aramis Vineyards 2018 The Governor Syrah	
36	Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek 2019 The Barn Shiraz	
19	Silent Noise Wines	Silent Noise 2020 Reserve Shiraz	
16	Three Kings Wine Merchants	The Kings' Creed 2020 McLaren Vale Shiraz	
9	Nick Haselgrove Wines	Clarence Hill 2020 Reserve Shiraz	
41	Kangarilla Road Winery	Kangarilla Road 2019 Devil's Whiskers Shiraz	
29	Brini Estate Wines	Brini Estate Wines 2020 Blewitt Springs Shiraz	
17	Nick Haselgrove Wines	James Haselgrove 2020 Futures Shiraz	
8	Agostino Wines	Agostino 2020 McLaren Vale Shiraz	
6	Jelka Wine	Jelka Wines 2020 Blewitt Springs Shiraz	
34	A.G. Oatley Wines	Robert Oatley 2019 Finisterre McLaren Vale Shiraz	WD
44	A.G. Oatley Wines	Robert Oatley 2018 The Pennant McLaren Vale Shiraz	WD
26	Shingleback	Red Knot 2020 McLaren Vale Shiraz	WD
35	Shingleback	Shingleback D Block 2019 McLaren Vale Shiraz	WD

Judges: Ian McKenzie, Rob Mack, Marcell Kustos, Greg Clack, Lauren Hansen, Leigh Ratzmer, Ashleigh Seymour, Luke Broadbent, Ollie Thomas, Brett Smith

Class Comments: A very mixed bag. The best wine stood out as having amazing vitality and freshness along with purity of fruit and sensitive oak use. Many wines suffered from advanced condition for their vintage or unbalanced use of oak.



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2022	RICHARD LEASK AND MALCOLM LEASK	HITHER & YON
2021	ELENA BROOKS	DANDELION VINEYARDS
2020	RENAE HIRSCH AND TOM HARVEY	CHALK HILL WINES
2019	RICHARD LEASK AND MALCOLM LEASK	HITHER & YON
2018	STEPHEN PANNELL AND FIONA LINDQUIST	S.C PANNELL WINES
2017	DUNCAN KENNEDY AND ELSPETH KAY	KAY BROS AMERY
2016	STEPHEN PANNELL AND FIONA LINDQUIST	S.C PANNELL WINES
2015	STEPHEN PANNELL AND FIONA LINDQUIST	S.C PANNELL WINES
2014	MATT CALDERSMITH AND NIC BOWEN	CHATEAU REYNELLA
2013	MATT KOCH AND RANDALL CUMMINS	ROSEMOUNT ESTATE
2012	MATT KOCH AND ANDREW LOCKE	ROSEMOUNT ESTATE
2011	STEPHEN PANNELL AND FIONA LINDQUIST	S.C. PANNELL WINES
2010	MICHAEL FRAGOS AND BRYN RICHARDS	CHAPEL HILL
2009	PAUL CARPENTER AND ALIX HARDY	HARDY'S TINTARA
2008	ROSE KENTISH AND BRIAN LIGHT	ULITHORNE WINES
2007	SCOTT RAWLINSON AND MARIA MAGLIERI	SERAFINO WINES
2006	WAYNE AND BEV THOMAS	WAYNE THOMAS WINES
2005	BEN AND ANNIE RIGGS	PENNY'S HILL
2004	WAYNE AND BEV THOMAS	WAYNE THOMAS WINES
2003	DAN HILLS AND TONY WALKER	FOX CREEK WINES
2002	SPARKY AND SARAH MARQUIS	SHIRVINGTON
2001	GRANT HARRISON AND MARK LLOYD	CORIOLE VINEYARDS
2000	BEN AND ANNIE RIGGS	WIRRA WIRRA VINEYARDS
1999	MICHAEL FRAGOS AND JUSTIN McNAMEE	TATACHILLA WINERY
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1996	SPARKY AND SARAH MARQUIS	FOX CREEK WINES
1995	BRIAN AND KAY LIGHT	MERRIVALE WINES
1994	MIKE FARMILO AND DI MURPHY	SEAVIEW WINERY
1993	NICK HASELGROVE	JAMES HASELGROVE WINES
1992	JOHN LOXTON AND MARIA MAGLIERI	MAGLIERI WINES
1991	PAM DUNSFORD	CHAPEL HILL
1990	CHESTER OSBORN AND JULIE McEWEN	D'ARENBERG WINES
1989	BRIAN AND KAY LIGHT	NORMANS WINES
1988	BILL AND MERRILYN HARDY	THOMAS HARDY & SONS
1987	WALTER AND KERRY CLAPPIS	INGOLDBY WINES
1986	SCOTT COLLETT AND ANNE TULLY	WOODSTOCK WINERY
1985	GRAHAM AND MARIE STEVENS	STEVENS CAMBRAI WINES
1984	GEOFF MERRILL	CHATEAU REYNELLA
1983	PETER AND MARG DENNIS	DARINGA CELLARS
1982	IAIN AND JANICE RIGGS	HAZELMERE ESTATE
1981	GEOFF MERRILL	CHATEAU REYNELLA
1980	KEN AND MARGARET MAXWELL	MAXWELL WINES
1979	STEVE AND LETIZIA MAGLIERI	MAGLIERI WINES
1978	KEN AND MARGARET MAXWELL	DARINGA CELLARS
1977	IAN WILSON AND JOYLENE THORPE	SOUTHERN AUSTRALIAN VINTNERS
1976	GRAHAM AND JENNY BEENHAM	SOUTHERN VALES CO-OP WINERY
1975	GRAHAM AND MARIE STEVENS	CORIOLE VINEYARDS
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Class 09 - Cabernet Sauvignon 2022 or younger

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
7	Paralian Wines	Paralian 2022 Springs Hill Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon	93	Silver
4	Bec Hardy Wines	Pertaringa 2022 Understudy Cabernet Sauvignon	90	Silver
5	Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill 2022 The MV Cabernet Sauvignon	88	Bronze
9	Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill 2022 The Vinedresser Cabernet Sauvignon	87	Bronze
10	Three Dark Horses	Three Dark Horses 2022 The Bandy Cabernet Sauvignon	86	Bronze
11	Serafino Wines	Serafino Black Label 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon	86	Bronze
2	Merchant of Organics	Barred 2023 Cabernet Sauvignon	85	Bronze
6	Agostino Wines	Agostino 2022 McLaren Vale Cabernet Sauvignon		
8	Mr. Riggs Wine Co.	Mr. Riggs Wine Co. 2022 The Bolter Cabernet Sauvignon		
1	Organic Hill	Organic Hill 2023 Founders Release Cabernet Sauvignon	WD	
3	Field Day Wine Co.	Monterra 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon	WD	

Judges: Rob Mack, Sean Ou, Greg Clack, Ashleigh Seymour, Luke Broadbent

Class Comments: A couple of fresh varietal wines showing freshness and length. The majority of the class showed an astringent and drying tannin profile with unbalanced acidity. More care needs to be taken around picking times and more sensitive use of oak in the winery.

Class 10 - Cabernet Sauvignon 2021

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
6	Bec Hardy Wines	Pertaringa 2021 Rifle & Hunt Cabernet Sauvignon	96	Top Gold
12	Chalk Hill Wines	Alpha Crucis 2021 Titan Cabernet Sauvignon	95	Gold
17	Grounded Cru	Grounded Cru 2021 Inc Cabernet Sauvignon	93	Silver
19	Bec Hardy Wines	Pertaringa 2021 Topsy Hill Cabernet Sauvignon	91	Silver
20	Hugo Wines	Hugo Wines 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon	90	Silver
1	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2021 The High Trellis Cabernet Sauvignon	88	Bronze
3	Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill 2021 The MV Cabernet Sauvignon	88	Bronze
9	Soursob Pty Ltd	Battle of Bosworth 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon	88	Bronze
10	Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill 2021 The Parson Cabernet Sauvignon	86	Bronze
14	Hedonist Wines	Hedonist 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon	86	Bronze
21	Vok Beverages	Beresford 2021 Classic Cabernet Sauvignon	86	Bronze
4	Coriole	Coriole 2021 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon		
5	Kay Brothers	Kay Brothers 2021 Cuthbert Cabernet Sauvignon		
7	McCarthy's Orchard	McCarthy's Orchard 2021 Lolly Legs Cabernet Sauvignon		
8	Shingleback	Shingleback Davey Estate 2021 McLaren Vale Cabernet Sauvignon		
11	Kay Brothers	Kay Brothers 2021 Basket Pressed Cabernet Sauvignon		
13	Serafino Wines	Serafino Black Label 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon		
15	Miracle Hill Pty Ltd	Miracle Hill 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon		
16	Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill 2021 Gorge Block Cabernet Sauvignon		
18	Dowie Doole	Dowie Doole 2021 DD Cabernet Sauvignon		
22	Mollydooker Wines	Mollydooker Wines 2021 Gigglepote Cabernet Sauvignon		
23	G. Patrilli & Co	Patrilli 2021 Merchant Cabernet Sauvignon		
24	Chalk Hill Wines	Chalk Hill 2021 Luna Cabernet Sauvignon		
2	Shingleback	Red Knot 2021 McLaren Vale Cabernet Sauvignon	WD	

Judges: Ian McKenzie, Lauren Hansen, Nicole Wilson, Luke Mallaby, Brett Smith

Class Comments: A class of big and bold wines many of which were heavy and unbalanced. The top wines were clear standouts.





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Class 11 - Cabernet Sauvignon 2020 or older

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
11	McCarthy's Orchard	McCarthy's Orchard 2018 Lolly Legs Cabernet Sauvignon	93	Silver
13	McCarthy's Orchard	McCarthy's Orchard 2018 My Coco Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	93	Silver
7	Shottesbrooke Vineyards	Shottesbrooke Vineyards 2019 Reserve Series Punch Cabernet Sauvignon	92	Silver
5	Nick Haselgrove Wines	Clarence Hill 2019 Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	90	Silver
1	Shingleback	Shingleback D Block 2020 McLaren Vale Cabernet Sauvignon	88	Bronze
2	Angove Family Winemakers	Angove Family Winemakers 2020 Cabernet Sauvignon		
3	Shingleback	Red Knot 2020 McLaren Vale Cabernet Sauvignon		
6	Alpha Box & Dice	Alpha Box and Dice 2019 Icona Cabernet Sauvignon		
8	Dowie Doole	Dowie Doole 2019 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon		
9	Aramis Vineyards	Aramis Vineyards 2019 Single Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon		
12	Jelka Wine	Jelka Wines 2018 Blewitt Springs Cabernet Sauvignon		
4	Shingleback	Shingleback Davey Estate 2020 McLaren Vale Cabernet Sauvignon	WD	
10	Shingleback	Shingleback D Block 2019 McLaren Vale Cabernet Sauvignon	WD	

Judges: Liz Silkman, Marcell Kustos, Leigh Ratzmer, Jared Stringer, Ollie Thomas

Class Comments: Top wines showed varietal definition and a level of freshness, unfortunately no wines held enough freshness and balance to warrant a gold. Too many wines were tired and over worked.

Class 12 - Grenache 2022 or younger

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
57	Serafino Wines	Serafino 2022 Reserve Grenache	97	Top Gold
24	Bondar Wines	Bondar Wines 2022 Rayner Vineyard Grenache	96	Gold
16	Ministry of Clouds	Ministry of Clouds 2022 Grenache	95	Gold
8	Alliance Wine Australia	Thistledown 2022 This Charming Man Single Vineyard Old Vine Grenache	95	Gold
41	A.G. Oatley Wines	Robert Oatley 2022 Finisterre McLaren Vale Grenache	95	Gold
49	In Praise of Shadows	In Praise of Shadows 2022 Grenache	95	Gold
53	G. Patriiti & Co	Patriiti 2022 Lavoro Grenache	95	Gold
33	Alliance Wine Australia	Thistledown 2022 Sands of Time Single Vineyard Blewitt Springs Grenache	95	Gold
25	XO Wine Co	XO Wine Co 2022 Small Batch Grenache	94	Silver
40	Geddes Wines	Seldom Inn 2022 Grenache	93	Silver
23	Willunga Hundred Pty Ltd	Willunga 100 2022 Smart Vineyard Clarendon Grenache	92	Silver
36	Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill 2022 The MV Bush Vine Grenache	91	Silver
68	Loom Wine	Loom 50S Project 2022 Grenache	91	Silver
47	Alliance Wine Australia	Thistledown 2022 Thorny Devil Old Vine Grenache	90	Silver
44	Willunga Hundred Pty Ltd	Willunga 100 2022 Grenache	90	Silver
64	Silent Noise Wines	Silent Noise 2022 MF Grenache	90	Silver
22	Grounded Cru	Grounded Cru 2022 Grenache	89	Bronze
31	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2022 NO220 Grenache	89	Bronze
48	Aphelion Wine Co.	Aphelion Wine Co 2022 Rapture Old Vine Grenache	89	Bronze
26	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2022 Smart Grenache	88	Bronze
9	Gemtree Wines	Gemtree Wines 2022 Small Batch SBE Grenache	88	Bronze
11	Varney Wines	Varney Wines 2022 Grenache	88	Bronze
34	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2022 Little Branch Grenache	88	Bronze
60	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2022 Basso Grenache	88	Bronze
55	Three Dark Horses	Three Dark Horses 2022 Grenache	88	Bronze
63	Alliance Wine Australia	Thistledown 2022 Vagabond Blewit Springs Old Vine Grenache	88	Bronze
29	Willunga Hundred Pty Ltd	Willunga 100 2022 Trott Vineyard Blewitt Springs Grenache	88	Bronze
2	Sherrah Wines	Sherrah 2023 Preservative Free Grenache	87	Bronze
4	Main & Cherry	Main & Cherry 2023 Grenache	86	Bronze
10	Heirloom Vineyards	Heirloom Vineyards 2022 Alcalá McLaren Vale Grenache	86	Bronze
15	Mitolo Wines	Mitolo Wines 2022 Harena Grenache	86	Bronze
18	Chalk Hill Wines	Alpha Crucis 2022 Old Vine Grenache	86	Bronze
39	Kay Brothers	Kay Brothers 2022 Basket Pressed Grenache	86	Bronze
65	Wirra Wirra Vineyards	Wirra Wirra Vineyards 2022 The Absconder Grenache	86	Bronze
1	Woodstock Wine	Woodstock 2023 Free Borough Grenache	85	Bronze
37	Oliver's Taranga Vineyards	Oliver's Taranga Vineyards 2022 Grenache	85	Bronze
21	Leconfield Wines Pty Ltd	Richard Hamilton 2022 Burton's Vineyard Old Vine Grenache	85	Bronze



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28	Kay Brothers	Kay Brothers 2022 Griffon's Key Grenache	85	Bronze
32	Hugo Wines	Hugo Wines 2022 Grenache	85	Bronze
45	Hedonist Wines	Hedonist 2022 Ecology Grenache		
51	MMAD Pty Ltd	MMAD Vineyard 2022 Blewitt Springs Grenache		
52	The Other Wine Co Pty Ltd	The Other Wine Co 2022 Grenache		
3	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2023 NO220 Grenache		
43	Bondar Wines	Bondar Wines 2022 Higher Springs Grenache		
13	Paralian Wines	Paralian 2022 Marmont Vineyard Grenache		
14	Aphelion Wine Co.	Aphelion Wine Co 2022 Confluence Grenache		
20	Gemtree Wines	Gemtree Wines 2022 Small Batch SBO Grenache		
30	Paxton Wines	Paxton Wines 2022 Biodynamic Grenache		
17	Jericho Wines Pty Ltd	Jericho Wines 2022 Selected Vineyards Grenache		
50	Hidden Fire Pty Ltd	Hiddenfire Wines 2022 Hunt Road Grenache		
42	Dandelion Vineyards	Dandelion Vineyards 2022 Treasure Trove Grenache		
56	Karrawatta Pty Ltd	Karrawatta 2022 Ace of Trumps Bush Vine Grenache		
62	Saltfleet Wines	Saltfleet 2022 Grenache		
67	Oliver's Taranga Vineyards	Oliver's Taranga Vineyards 2022 RW Grenache		
7	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2022 Old McDonald Grenache		
35	Aphelion Wine Co.	Aphelion Wine Co 2022 Brini Single Site Grenache		
6	Aphelion Wine Co.	Aphelion Wine Co 2022 Hickinbotham Single Site Grenache		
12	Dandelion Vineyards	Dandelion Vineyards 2022 Faraway Tree Grenache		
19	Aphelion Wine Co.	Aphelion Wine Co 2022 Wait Single Site Grenache		
61	Berg Herring	Berg Herring 2022 Grenache		
46	Jericho Wines Pty Ltd	Jericho Wines 2022 Ancient Sands Grenache		
27	Larnook Wines	Larnook 2022 Blewitt Springs Grenache		
58	Maxwell Wines	Maxwell Wines 2022 Four Roads Grenache		
38	Yangarra Estate Vineyard	Yangarra Estate Vineyard 2022 Hickinbotham Clarendon Grenache		
66	Yangarra Estate Vineyard	Yangarra Estate Vineyard 2022 Old Vine Grenache		
59	Yangarra Estate Vineyard	Yangarra Estate Vineyard 2022 Ovitelli Grenache		
54	Penley Estate	Penley 2022 McLaren Vale Grenache		WD

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Class 13 - Grenache 2021 or older

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
88	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2021 Old McDonald Grenache	96	Top Gold
76	Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill 2021 Old Vine 1952 Grenache	95	Gold
94	Loom Wine	Loom SVX 2021 Grenache	94	Silver
93	Yangarra Estate Vineyard	Yangarra Estate Vineyard 2021 Hickinbotham Clarendon Grenache	93	Silver
72	Hayes Family Wines	Hayes Family Wines 2021 Smart Vineyard Grenache	91	Silver
91	Zerella Wines	Zerella Wines 2021 Olivers Road Grenache	89	Bronze
80	Yangarra Estate Vineyard	Yangarra Estate Vineyard 2021 High Sands Grenache	88	Bronze
73	Mr. Riggs Wine Co.	Mr. Riggs Wine Co. 2021 The Magnet Grenache	88	Bronze
77	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2021 Basso Grenache	88	Bronze
81	A.G. Oatley Wines	Robert Oatley 2021 Signature Series Grenache	87	Bronze
83	Shingleback	Shingleback NX Gen 2021 McLaren Vale Grenache	87	Bronze
78	Kay Brothers	Kay Brothers 2021 Basket Pressed Grenache	86	Bronze
75	Yangarra Estate Vineyard	Yangarra Estate Vineyard 2021 Ovitelli Grenache	86	Bronze
71	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2021 Smart Grenache		
84	Dodgy Brothers Wines Pty Ltd	Juxtaposed 2021 Wait Vineyard Grenache		
92	Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek 2021 The Overseer Grenache		
103	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2019 The Derelict Vineyard Grenache		
70	Angove Family Winemakers	Angove Family Winemakers 2021 Warboys Grenache		
96	Brini Estate Wines	Brini Estate Wines 2021 Stellato Grenache		
82	Big Easy Radio Pty Ltd	Big Easy Radio 2021 Perpetual Holiday Grenache		
90	Jericho Wines Pty Ltd	Jericho Wines 2021 Bracken Vineyard Grenache		
87	Shottesbrooke Vineyards	Shottesbrooke Vineyards 2021 Single Vineyard Bush Vine Grenache		
86	Dowie Doole	Dowie Doole 2021 DD Grenache		
89	Brini Estate Wines	Brini Estate Wines 2021 Reserve Grenache		
104	DogRidge	DogRidge 2018 All Rounder Grenache		
74	Kay Brothers	Kay Brothers 2021 Griffon's Key Grenache		
79	Lino Ramble	Lino Ramble 2021 Gomas Grenache		
85	The Usual Suspects Collective	Ox Hardy 2021 McLaren Vale Grenache		
101	Nick Haselgrove Wines	Old Faithful 2019 Grenache		
97	Ulithorne	Ulithorne 2020 Meracus Grenache		
98	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2020 The Custodian Grenache		
99	Thicker Than Water Wines	Thicker Than Water 2020 RDW Grenache		
95	Fox Creek Wines	Fox Creek Wines 2021 Limited Release Grenache	WD	

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Class 14 - Single Mediterranean Red Varietals 2022 or younger

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
59	Hedonist Wines	Hedonist 2022 Tempranillo	97	Top Gold
32	Chalk Hill Wines	Chalk Hill 2022 Small Batch Release Nero D'Avola	96	Gold
20	Kay Brothers	Kay Brothers 2022 Basket Pressed Mataro	96	Gold
13	Chalk Hill Wines	Chalk Hill 2022 Small Batch Release Montepulciano	95	Gold
11	Ministry of Clouds	Ministry of Clouds 2022 Mencia	95	Gold
29	Coriole	Coriole 2023 Nero D'Avola	95	Gold
41	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2022 The Mind Palace Sangiovese	93	Silver
26	Serafino Wines	Serafino Bellissimo 2023 Nero D'Avola	93	Silver
25	Aphelion Wine Co.	Aphelion Wine Co. 2023 Welkin Nero D'Avola	92	Silver
7	Hither & Yon	Hither & Yon 2022 Carignan	92	Silver
63	Soursob Pty Ltd	Battle of Bosworth 2023 Exile Touriga Nacional	92	Silver
1	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2022 Merrivale Aglianico	92	Silver
8	Chalk Hill Wines	Chalk Hill 2022 Small Batch Release Graciano	91	Silver
48	Paxton Wines	Paxton Wines 2022 Biodynamic Sangiovese	91	Silver



5	Chalk Hill Wines	Chalk Hill 2022 Small Batch Release Barbera	90	Silver
23	Coriole	Coriole 2023 Negro Amaro	90	Silver
9	Paxton Wines	Paxton Wines 2022 Biodynamic Graciano	90	Silver
15	Hither & Yon	Hither & Yon 2022 Montepulciano	90	Silver
51	Shingleback	Red Knot Classified 2022 McLaren Vale Tempranillo	90	Silver
39	Serafino Wines	Serafino Bellissimo 2023 Sangiovese	90	Silver
55	Fox Creek Wines	Fox Creek Wines 2022 Tempranillo	90	Silver
2	Haselgrove Wines Pty Ltd	Haselgrove Wines 2023 Alternative Series Barbera	89	Bronze
49	Serafino Wines	Serafino Bellissimo 2023 Tempranillo	89	Bronze
57	Gemtree Wines	Gemtree Wines 2022 Luna Temprana Tempranillo	88	Bronze
22	Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill 2022 The MV Mourvèdre	88	Bronze
16	Scarpantoni Estate	Scarpantoni Estate 2022 Montepulciano	88	Bronze
19	Saltfleet Wines	Saltfleet 2022 Mataro	87	Bronze
6	Geddes Wines	Seldom Inn 2022 Carignan	87	Bronze
17	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2022 The Hunjee Heartstring Montepulciano	87	Bronze
12	Serafino Wines	Serafino Bellissimo 2023 Montepulciano	87	Bronze
35	Hugo Wines	Hugo Wines 2022 Nero D'Avola	86	Bronze
50	Willunga Hundred Pty Ltd	Willunga 100 2022 Tempranillo	86	Bronze
53	Dog Day Wines	Rusty Mutt 2022 Conejo Joven Tempranillo	86	Bronze
28	Berg Herring	Berg Herring 2023 Nero D'Avola	86	Bronze
18	Woodstock Wine	Woodstock 2022 Free Borough Montepulciano	85	Bronze
45	Gargoyle Wines	Gargoyle Wines 2022 Sangiovese	85	Bronze
46	Hedonist Wines	Hedonist 2022 Sangiovese	85	Bronze
24	Sherrah Wines	Sherrah 2023 Nero D'Avola	85	Bronze
14	Haselgrove Wines Pty Ltd	Haselgrove Wines 2022 Alternative Series Montepulciano	85	Bronze
54	Penny's Hill	Penny's Hill 2022 Tempranillo	85	Bronze
36	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2022 Nero D'Avola	85	Bronze
42	Berg Herring	Berg Herring 2022 Sangiovese	85	Bronze
44	Lino Ramble	Lino Ramble 2022 Marco Polo Sangiovese		
30	Scarpantoni Estate	Scarpantoni Estate 2022 Nero D'Avola		
27	Bondar Wines	Bondar Wines 2023 Nero D'Avola		
3	Merchant of Organics	Vine Hill 2022 Barbera		
61	Angove Family Winemakers	Angove Family Winemakers 2022 Tempranillo		
37	Mitolo Wines	Mitolo Wines 2022 Scylla Nero D'Avola		
43	Coriole	Coriole 2022 Sangiovese		
38	Tenuta Minchella	By Fabiano 2022 Primitivo Naturale		
4	Hastwell & Lightfoot (H&L)	Hastwell & Lightfoot (H&L) 2022 Barbera		
56	Scarpantoni Estate	Oxenberry Farm 2022 Tempranillo		
31	Zerella Wines	Zerella Wines La Gita 2022 Nero D'Avola		
33	Maxwell Wines	Maxwell Wines 2022 Nero D'Avola		
40	Main & Cherry	Main & Cherry 2022 Sangiovese		
21	Aphelion Wine Co.	Aphelion Wine Co 2022 Emergent Mourvèdre		
52	Paxton Wines	Paxton Wines 2022 Biodynamic Tempranillo		
60	Hugo Wines	Hugo Wines 2022 Tempranillo		
10	Varney Wines	Varney Wines 2023 Mencia		
58	Larnook Wines	Larnook 2022 Tempranillo		
47	Alpha Box & Dice	Alpha Box and Dice 2022 Blood of Jupiter Sangiovese		
62	Heirloom Vineyards	Heirloom Vineyards 2023 McLaren Vale Touriga	WD	
34	Fox Creek Wines	Fox Creek Wines 2022 Nero D'Avola	WD	

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Class Comments: A good mix of vibrancy and fruit-driven wines. The best wines showed lovely structure to frame the fruit, whilst the less well-performing examples displayed some premature development and a lack of exuberance for their age. We look forward to the evolution of this class as the vineyards age



Class 15 - Single Mediterranean Red Varietals 2021 or older

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
1	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2021 Aglianico	96	Top Gold
5	Hither & Yon	Hither & Yon 2021 Mataro	95	Gold
15	McCarthy's Orchard	McCarthy's Orchard 2020 Little Lady Lala Nero D'Avola	91	Silver
16	McCarthy's Orchard	McCarthy's Orchard 2019 Little Lady Lala Nero D'Avola	91	Silver
24	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2021 Dead End Tempranillo	91	Silver
25	Berg Herring	Berg Herring 2021 Touriga	91	Silver
10	Mitolo Wines	Mitolo Wines 2021 Masso Montepulciano	90	Silver
21	The Pawn	The Pawn 2021 Sangiovese	90	Silver
8	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2021 The Anthropocene Epoch Mencia	90	Silver
13	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2021 The Danger Mouse Nero D'Avola	89	Bronze
3	Aphelion Wine Co.	Aphelion Wine Co 2021 Emergent Mourvèdre	88	Bronze
11	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2021 The Hunjee Heartstring Montepulciano	88	Bronze
26	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2021 Touriga Nacional	88	Bronze
27	Kangarilla Road Winery	Kangarilla Road 2021 Black St. Peters Zinfandel	86	Bronze
12	Alpha Box & Dice	Alpha Box and Dice 2021 Siren Nero D'Avola	85	Bronze
9	Zonte's Footstep	Zonte's Footstep 2021 Rosso Cova Montepulciano	85	Bronze
14	Vigna Bottin Wines	Vigna Bottin 2021 Nero D'Avola		
4	Shirvington Wines	Shirvington Wines 2021 Row X Row Mataro		
22	Mitolo Wines	Mitolo Wines 2020 Cinquecento Sangiovese		
18	Kangarilla Road Winery	Kangarilla Road 2020 Primitivo		
6	Paxton Wines	Paxton Wines 2021 Biodynamic Mataro		
20	Miracle Hill Pty Ltd	Miracle Hill 2021 Sangiovese		
23	Accolade Wines	Hardys 2021 Tintara Tempranillo		
2	Vigna Bottin Wines	Vigna Bottin 2020 Barbera		
7	Zerella Wines	Zerella Wines 2020 Oliveto Mataro		
17	Tenuta Minchella	By Fabiano 2021 Primitivo		
19	Vigna Bottin Wines	Vigna Bottin 2021 Sangiovese	WD	

Judges: Ian McKenzie, Marcell Kustos, Greg Clack, Ollie Thomas, Brett Smith

Class Comments: The gold medal-awarded wines were clear standouts in a class of interesting styles. Non-award wines were premature and/or clunky tannins



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Class 16 - Shiraz predominant blends - any vintage

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
9	Shottesbrooke Vineyards	Engine Room by Hamish Maguire 2022 Shiraz Tempranillo	96	Top Gold
4	Silent Noise Wines	Silent Noise 2022 Shiraz Grenache Zinfandel	95	Gold
7	Paxton Wines	Paxton Wines 2022 Queen of the Hive Shiraz Mataro	93	Silver
8	RedHeads Wine	RedHeads 2022 Coco Rotie Shiraz Viognier	91	Silver
2	Shottesbrooke Vineyards	Engine Room by Hamish Maguire 2022 Shiraz Mataro Grenache	90	Silver
5	Coriole	Dune 2022 The Empty Quarter Shiraz Mataro Grenache	90	Silver
16	Haselgrove Wines Pty Ltd	Haselgrove Wines 2021 Cul-Stor Shiraz Cabernet	88	Bronze
22	Shingleback	Shingleback Vineyard Selection 2021 McLaren Vale Shiraz Grenache	88	Bronze
1	Dandelion Vineyards	Dandelion Vineyards 2022 Moonrise Kingdom Shiraz Grenache Petite Sirah	87	Bronze
25	Mr. Riggs Wine Co.	Mr. Riggs Wine Co. 2018 The Chap Shiraz Cabernet Sauvignon	87	Bronze
14	Willunga Hundred Pty Ltd	Willunga 100 2021 Shiraz Viognier	86	Bronze
19	Angove Family Winemakers	Angove Family Winemakers 2021 Warboys Shiraz Grenache	86	Bronze
24	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2019 The Vale Shiraz Grenache	86	Bronze
11	Coriole	Coriole 2021 Terre de Fer Shiraz Grenache	85	Bronze
18	Dowie Doole	Dowie Doole 2021 DD Shiraz Grenache	85	Bronze
3	Hugo Wines	Hugo Wines 2022 Shiraz Cabernet		
6	Dandelion Vineyards	Dandelion Vineyards 2022 Lion's Tooth of McLaren Vale Shiraz Riesling		
10	Dowie Doole	Dowie Doole 2022 S&M		
12	Paxton Wines	Paxton Wines 2021 Cracker Barrels Biodynamic Shiraz Cabernet		
13	Soursob Pty Ltd	Battle of Bosworth 2021 Best of Vintage Shiraz Malbec		
15	Oliver's Taranga Vineyards	Oliver's Taranga Vineyards 2021 Corrina's Shiraz Cabernet		
17	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2021 The Vale Shiraz Grenache		
20	Hugo Wines	Hugo Wines 2021 Shiraz Cabernet Sauvignon		
21	Mollydooker Wines	Mollydooker Wines 2021 Enchanted Path Shiraz Cabernet Sauvignon		
23	Hugh Hamilton Wines	Hugh Hamilton Wines 2020 Shiraz Saperavi		

Judges: Liz Silkman, Marcell Kustos, Leigh Ratzmer, Jared Stringer, Ollie Thomas

Class Comments: An enjoyable class to judge. Too many wines showed reduction and overt oak. Top wines were hotly contested as two different styles showed judicious use of blending. Top wine came out on top as a result of well handled tannins and intensity of pristine fruit.

Class 17 - Cabernet Blends - any vintage

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
2	Shottesbrooke Vineyards	Engine Room by Hamish Maguire 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon Sangiovese	96	Top Gold
8	Shingleback	Shingleback The Gate 2019 McLaren Vale Cabernet Sauvignon Shiraz	90	Silver
5	Hickinbotham Clarendon Vineyard	Hickinbotham Clarendon Vineyard 2021 The Peake Cabernet Shiraz	88	Bronze
4	Wirra Wirra Vineyards	Wirra Wirra Vineyards 2021 Church Block Cabernet Sauvignon Shiraz Merlot		
3	RedHeads Wine	RedHeads 2021 Esule Cabernet Sauvignon Cabernet Franc		
7	Shottesbrooke Vineyards	Shottesbrooke Vineyards 2019 Reserve Series The Proprietor Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot Malbec		
1	Agostino Wines	Agostino 2022 McLaren Vale Cabernet Sauvignon Malbec		
6	Kay Brothers	Kay Brothers 2020 Ironmonger Cabernet Sauvignon Shiraz		

Judges: Ian McKenzie, Lauren Hansen, Nicole Wilson, Luke Mallaby, Brett Smith

Class Comments: Two shining beacons providing some bright fruit and structural complexity within a relatively disappointing class



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Class 18 - Grenache Predominant blends - any vintage

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
6	Wirra Wirra Vineyards	Wirra Wirra Vineyards 2022 Original Blend Grenache Shiraz	96	Top Gold
13	Gemtree Wines	Gemtree Wines 2022 Cinnabar Grenache Shiraz Mataro	95	Gold
18	In Praise of Shadows	In Praise of Shadows 2022 Mankai Grenache Touriga Monastrell Graciano	95	Gold
29	Paralian Wines	Paralian 2022 Blewitt Springs Grenache Shiraz	95	Gold
31	Ministry of Clouds	Ministry of Clouds 2022 Grenache Carignan	93	Silver
33	Lloyd Brothers Wine	Lloyd Brothers 2021 Estate Blend Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre	92	Silver
5	Saltfleet Wines	Saltfleet 2022 Grenache Shiraz Mataro	90	Silver
11	G. Patrilli & Co	Patrilli 2022 Merchant Grenache Shiraz Mataro	90	Silver
21	Altschwager Kenneally	Culley Road 2022 Grenache Shiraz Mataro	90	Silver
23	Heirloom Vineyards	Heirloom Vineyards 2022 Anevo Fortress Grenache Touriga Tempranillo	90	Silver
25	In Praise of Shadows	In Praise of Shadows 2022 L'Ombre Grenache Mataro Shiraz	90	Silver
26	Loom Wine	Loom 5OS Project 2022 Grenache Shiraz Mataro	90	Silver
30	Varney Wines	Varney Wines 2022 Grenache Mourvèdre Touriga	90	Silver
45	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2021 Grenache Shiraz Touriga	90	Silver
3	Bondar Wines	Bondar Wines 2022 Junto Grenache Shiraz Mataro	89	Bronze
14	Grounded Cru	Grounded Cru 2022 Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre	89	Bronze
1	Main & Cherry	Main & Cherry 2023 Iberica	88	Bronze
19	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2022 The Innocent Weed Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre	88	Bronze
28	Serafino Wines	Serafino Black Label 2022 GSM Grenache Shiraz Mataro	88	Bronze
37	Hedonist Wines	Hedonist 2021 Grenache Shiraz Mataro	88	Bronze
42	Yangarra Estate Vineyard	Yangarra Estate Vineyard 2021 Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre	88	Bronze
36	Accolade Wines	Hardys 2021 Tintara Grenache Shiraz Mataro	87	Bronze
47	Varney Wines	Varney Wines 2021 Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre	87	Bronze
7	Lloyd Brothers Wine	Lloyd Brothers 2022 Estate Blend Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre	86	Bronze
43	Jericho Wines Pty Ltd	Jericho Wines 2021 McLaren Vale Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre	86	Bronze
4	Geddes Wines	Seldom Inn 2022 Grenache and Co. Grenache Mourvèdre Shiraz Carignan	85	Bronze
34	Leconfield Wines Pty Ltd	Richard Hamilton 2021 Colton's Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre	85	Bronze
35	Sherrah Wines	Sherrah 2021 Red et Al. Grenache Shiraz Nero D'Avola	85	Bronze
2	Lloyd Brothers Wine	Lloyd Brothers 2023 Nouveau Grenache Shiraz		
8	Bec Hardy Wines	Pertaringa 2022 Two Gents Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre		
9	Shingleback	Red Knot Classified 2022 McLaren Vale Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre		
10	Kay Brothers	Kay Brothers 2022 GSM Grenache Shiraz Mataro		
15	Grant Nash Wines	Grant Nash 2022 Lunch Wine Grenache Shiraz Carignan		
16	Yangarra Estate Vineyard	Yangarra Estate Vineyard 2022 Noir		
17	Larnook Wines	Larnook 2022 Grenache Shiraz		
20	Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill 2022 The Parson Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre		
22	Hither & Yon	Hither & Yon 2022 Grenache Touriga Nacional		
24	Yangarra Estate Vineyard	Yangarra Estate Vineyard 2022 Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre		
27	Dowie Doole	Dowie Doole 2022 G&T		
32	Shottesbrooke Vineyards	Shottesbrooke Vineyards 2021 Estate Series Grenache Shiraz Mataro		
38	Nick Haselgrove Wines	Blackbilly 2021 Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre		
39	Vok Beverages	Beresford 2021 Barrel Select Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre		
40	Angove Family Winemakers	Angove Family Winemakers 2021 Grenache Shiraz		
41	Altschwager Kenneally	Culley Road 2021 Grenache Shiraz Mataro		
44	Kay Brothers	Kay Brothers 2021 GSM Grenache Shiraz Mataro		
46	Zerella Wines	Zerella Wines 2021 Packing Shed Grenache Mataro Shiraz		
48	Haselgrove Wines Pty Ltd	Haselgrove Wines 2020 Switch Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre		
49	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2020 Grenache Shiraz Touriga		



50	Varney Wines	Varney Wines 2020 Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre	
51	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2020 d'Arry's Original Grenache Shiraz	
12	Field Day Wine Co.	Monterra 2022 Grenache Shiraz Mataro	WD

Judges: Rob Mack, Sean Ou, Greg Clack, Ashleigh Seymour, Luke Broadbent

Class Comments: Lovely freshness and vibrancy along with sensitive oak treatment is key to Grenache dominant blends. The best wines showed this quality handsomely, whilst the less well performing wines suffered from a lack of balance and premature development.

Class 19 - Other Red Varietals and Blends - any vintage

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
12	Chalk Hill Wines	Chalk Hill 2022 Tempranillo Grenache	98	Top Gold
6	Hither & Yon	Hither & Yon 2022 Touriga Nacional Tempranillo	95	Gold
16	Grant Nash Wines	Grant Nash 2022 Dinner Wine Mourvèdre Grenache Shiraz	95	Gold
18	Chalk Hill Wines	Alpha Crucis 2022 Mataro Grenache	95	Gold
8	Kay Brothers	Kay Brothers 2022 Basket Pressed Merlot	93	Silver
11	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2022 Tempranillo Touriga	92	Silver
31	Big Easy Radio Pty Ltd	Big Easy Radio 2020 Forget Babylon Malbec	92	Silver
24	Shingleback	The Bio Project 2021 Tempranillo Blend McLaren Vale Tempranillo Mataro Grenache Touriga Nacional	90	Silver
1	Soursob Pty Ltd	Battle of Bosworth 2023 Heretic Touriga Nacional Mataro Graciano Shiraz	88	Bronze
2	Bec Hardy Wines	Bec Hardy 2023 Garden Series Pinot Noir	88	Bronze
15	Ministry of Clouds	Ministry of Clouds 2022 Tempranillo Grenache	88	Bronze
25	Berg Herring	Berg Herring 2021 Malbec	88	Bronze
27	Geddes Wines	Seldom Inn 2021 Petit Verdot	86	Bronze
3	Coriole	Dune 2022 Tirari Touriga Nacional Negro Amaro Mataro	85	Bronze
5	Oliver's Taranga Vineyards	Oliver's Taranga Vineyards 2022 Brioni's Blend	85	Bronze
13	Berg Herring	Berg Herring 2022 Dragon Mama	85	Bronze
29	Big Easy Radio Pty Ltd	Big Easy Radio 2020 Funtime Fountain Sangiovese Montepulciano	85	Bronze
4	Orbis Wines	Orbis Wines 2022 Tempranillo Grenache		
7	Bec Hardy Wines	Pertaringa 2022 Stage Left Merlot		
9	Hither & Yon	Hither & Yon 2022 Malbec		
10	Chalk Hill Wines	Chalk Hill 2022 Small Batch Release Malbec		
14	Sew & Sew Wines Pty Ltd	Sew & Sew 2022 Sashiko Nero D'Avola Aglianico Grenache Mataro		
17	Hugh Hamilton Wines	Hugh Hamilton Wines 2022 Sangiovese Trouseau Grenache		
19	Berg Herring	Berg Herring 2021 Saperavi Barbera		
20	Shottesbrooke Vineyards	Shottesbrooke Vineyards 2021 Estate Series Merlot		
21	Berg Herring	Berg Herring 2021 Merlot		
22	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2021 Tempranillo Touriga		
23	Dandelion Vineyards	Dandelion Vineyards 2021 Midnight Rainbow Petite Sirah		
26	Agostino Wines	Agostino 2021 McLaren Vale Malbec		
28	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2020 Tempranillo Touriga		
30	Kangarilla Road Winery	Kangarilla Road 2020 Primitivo Shiraz		WD

Judges: Liz Silkman, Ian McKenzie, Marcell Kustos, Leigh Ratzmer, Lauren Hansen, Nicole Wilson, Jared Stringer, Ollie Thomas,

Class Comments: Mixed bunch of disparate styles. Best wines fresh and vibrant and skilfully blended.

Class 20 - Fortified Wine (including Port) - any style - any vintage

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
1	Soursob Pty Ltd	Battle of Bosworth 2021 Vintage Fortified Touriga Nacional	91	Silver
2	McCarthy's Orchard	McCarthy's Orchard 2021 Sugador de toalha de Mesa Shiraz	WD	
3	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2019 Vintage Fortified Shiraz	WD	

Judges: Rob Mack, Sean Ou, Greg Clack, Ashleigh Seymour, Luke Broadbent

Class Comments: A single wine in the class, a well constructed VP style with good use of spirit and vibrant fruit.



Class 21 - Museum Wines - White Wine 2021 and older

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
2	Yangarra Estate Vineyard	Yangarra Estate Vineyard 2020 Roussanne	85	Bronze
1	Coriole	Coriole 2021 The Optimist Chenin Blanc		
3	Zerella Wines	Zerella Wines La Gita 2019 Arneis		
4	Dog Day Wines	Rusty Mutt 2016 Catnip Viognier		

Judges: Ian McKenzie, Lauren Hansen, Nicole Wilson, Luke Mallaby, Brett Smith

Class Comments: A very underwhelming class

Class 22 - Museum wines - Shiraz 2019 and older

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
3	Shingleback	Shingleback The Gate 2019 McLaren Vale Shiraz	96	Top Gold
7	Treasury Wine Estates	Wolf Blass 2018 Grey Label McLaren Vale Shiraz	95	Gold
5	Accolade Wines	Hardys 2018 Eileen Hardy Shiraz	91	Silver
6	Shingleback	Shingleback Unedited 2018 McLaren Vale Shiraz	88	Bronze
11	Angove Family Winemakers	Angove Family Winemakers 2017 Medhyk Shiraz	86	Bronze
2	Dandelion Vineyards	Dandelion Vineyards 2019 Lioness of McLaren Vale Shiraz	85	Bronze
15	Shingleback	Shingleback Unedited 2016 Shiraz	85	Bronze
17	Geoff Merrill Wines	Geoff Merrill 2015 Reserve Shiraz	85	Bronze
1	Yangarra Estate Vineyard	Yangarra Estate Vineyard 2019 Ironheart Shiraz		
12	Karrawatta Pty Ltd	Karrawatta 2017 Ace of Trumps Shiraz		
14	Geoff Merrill Wines	Geoff Merrill 2016 Reserve Shiraz		
18	Kangarilla Road Winery	Kangarilla Road 2007 Q Shiraz		
16	Vok Beverages	Beresford 2015 Limited Release Shiraz		
9	Karrawatta Pty Ltd	Karrawatta 2017 Ace of Trumps Grand Vin Shiraz		
4	Hickinbotham Clarendon Vineyard	Hickinbotham Clarendon Vineyard 2019 Brooks Road Shiraz		
13	Vok Beverages	Beresford 2016 Grand Reserve Shiraz		
10	Geoff Merrill Wines	Geoff Merrill 2017 Jackos Shiraz		
8	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2018 The Dead Arm Shiraz		

Judges: Liz Silkman, Sean Ou, Nicole Wilson, Jared Stringer, Luke Mallaby

Class Comments: Many wines show development beyond the vintage. Top wines showed freshness and balance.

Class 23 - Museum Wines - Cabernet Sauvignon 2019 and older

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
3	Shingleback	Shingleback D Block 2016 McLaren Vale Cabernet Sauvignon	85	Bronze
5	Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill 2009 McLaren Vale Cabernet Sauvignon		
1	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2019 The Coppermine Road Cabernet Sauvignon		
2	Geoff Merrill Wines	Geoff Merrill 2018 Parham Cabernet Sauvignon		
4	Kangarilla Road Winery	Kangarilla Road 2011 Cabernet Sauvignon		

Judges: Rob Mack, Sean Ou, Greg Clack, Ashleigh Seymour, Luke Broadbent

Class Comments: The class as a whole lacked vitality and freshness with premature development across the board. Many wines were brown in the glass and showed drying tannin with no fruit support.



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Class 24 - Museum Wines - Grenache 2019 and older

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
108	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2013 The Beautiful View Grenache	89	Bronze
106	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2013 The Blewitt Sands Grenache		
105	Yangarra Estate Vineyard	Yangarra Estate Vineyard 2017 High Sands Grenache		
102	Dandelion Vineyards	Dandelion Vineyards 2019 Treasure Trove Grenache		
107	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2013 McLaren Sand Hills Grenache		

Judges: James Halliday, Ian McKenzie, Toby Barlow, Liz Silkman, Lauren Hansen, Greg Clack, Marcell Kustos, Nicole Wilson, Rob Mack, Leigh Ratzmer, Jared Stringer, Ollie Thomas, Ashleigh Seymour, Luke Broadbent, Luke Mallaby, Brett Smith

Comments from James Halliday: The makers of Grenache responded jubilantly to the quality of the '21, '22 and '23 growing seasons. There is a pattern of finesse, purity and intensity in the medal-winning wines, the best simply beautiful.

Class 25 - Museum wines - Other Red Single Varietals 2019 - No exhibits entered

Class 26 - Museum Wines - All Red Blends 2019 and older

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Score	Award
2	Shingleback	Shingleback The Gate 2019 McLaren Vale Cabernet Sauvignon Shiraz	90	Silver
5	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2018 The Laughing Magpie Shiraz Viognier	87	Bronze
3	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2018 The Galvo Garage Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot Petit Verdot Cabernet Franc	85	Bronze
4	Dog Day Wines	Rusty Mutt 2018 Rocky Ox Grenache Shiraz Mataro	85	Bronze
1	Hickinbotham Clarendon Vineyard	Hickinbotham Clarendon Vineyard 2019 The Peake Cabernet Shiraz	85	Bronze
6	Pannell Enoteca	S.C.Pannell 2018 Grenache Shiraz		
8	Shingleback	Shingleback Los Trios Bravos 2016 McLaren Vale Tempranillo Monastrell Grenache		
7	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg 2018 The Ironstone Pressings Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre		

Judges: Rob Mack, Sean Ou, Greg Clack, Ashleigh Seymour, Luke Broadbent

Class Comments: The best wine showed freshness and good fruit with some nice winemaking artefact around it. The less well performing wines suffered from a dried out fruit character with splintery oak.



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Class 27 - Museum wine - Vintage Port/Fortified Wine any style 2019 - No exhibits entered

Class 28, 29 & 30 - Wine of Provenance - Current Release, 3-5 years older, 6+ years older

Entry #	Exhibitor	Wine name	Award
8	Accolade Wines	Hardys 2021, 2018, 2012 Eileen Hardy Shiraz	Top Gold
6	Yangarra Estate Vineyard	Yangarra Estate Vineyard 2021, 2018, 2015 High Sands Grenache	
3	Dandelion Vineyards	Dandelion Vineyards 2022, 2019, 2016 Lion's Tooth of McLaren Vale Shiraz Riesling	
7	Treasury Wine Estates	Wolf Blass 2021, 2018, 2010 Grey Label McLaren Vale Shiraz	
14	Angove Family Winemakers	Angove Family Winemakers 2020, 2017, 2013 Medhyk Shiraz	
16	Wirra Wirra Vineyards	Wirra Wirra Vineyards 2019, 2016, 2013 The Angelus Cabernet Sauvignon	
2	Coriole	Coriole 2022, 2018, 2012 Sangiovese	
12	Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill 2020, 2016, 2013 The Vicar Shiraz	
5	Dandelion Vineyards	Dandelion Vineyards 2022, 2019, 2016 Lioness of McLaren Vale Shiraz	
1	Heirloom Vineyards	Heirloom Vineyards 2022, 2019, 2016 Alcalá McLaren Vale Grenache	
18	Aramis Vineyards	Aramis Vineyards 2018, 2015, 2012 The Governor Syrah	
13	Shingleback	Shingleback D Block 2020, 2016, 2010 McLaren Vale Shiraz	
11	Shingleback	Shingleback D Block 2020, 2016, 2013 McLaren Vale Cabernet Sauvignon	
15	Shingleback	Shingleback The Gate 2019, 2014, 2010 McLaren Vale Shiraz	
17	Shingleback	Shingleback Unedited 2018, 2013, 2011 McLaren Vale Shiraz	
9	G. Patriitti & Co	Patriitti 2021, 2018, 2010 JPB Shiraz	
10	Hickinbotham Clarendon Vineyard	Hickinbotham Clarendon Vineyard 2021, 2018, 2015 The Peake Cabernet Shiraz	
4	Serafino Wines	Serafino Black Label 2022, 2017, 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon	

Judges: Andrew Thomas, Sean Ou, Liz Silkman, Ian McKenzie, Rob Mack



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