



Class 1: Sparkling wine

					Class #	Score	Medal
Berg Herring	2023	Sparkling Pecorino	McLaren Vale	1	1	85.5	Bronze
Box Grove Vineyard	2014	Late Disgorged Sparkling Roussanne	Goulburn Valley	1	2	0.0	Not Received
Oliver's Taranga Vineyards	2020	The Hunt for Mrs Oliver Methode Traditionnelle Fiano	McLaren Vale	1	3	87.0	Bronze
Sherrah Wines	2022	Petillant-Naturel Fiano/Chenin Blanc	McLaren Vale	1	4	86.0	Bronze
Tahbilk	2020	Coueslant Sparkling Marsanne	Nagambie Lakes	1	5	83.5	
Vigna Bottin	NV	Versecco	McLaren Vale	1	6	84.5	
Borrowed Cuttings Sparkling Picpoul	2022	Picpoul blanc	Central Ranges	1	7	83.5	
Dal Zotto Wines	2017	La Nebbia Sparkling	King Valley	1	8	90.0	Silver
Blood Moon Wines	2023	Rise Rosé Pétillant Naturel	Murray Darling Vic	1	9	83.5	
De Bortoli	NV	Nebbiolo Fizz	Yarra Valley	1	10	93.0	Silver
La Cantina King Valley	2023	Sangiovese Col Fondo	King Valley	1	11	84.0	
Longview Vineyard	2021	Longview Fortuna	Adelaide Hills	1	12	85.5	Bronze
SOUMAH	NV	Brachetto Frizzante d'Soumah	Yarra Valley	1	13	87.0	Bronze
Trentham Estate	2023	The Family Frizzante Maestri	Murray Darling NSW	1	14	87.5	Bronze

Class 1 Comments:

Wines lacked freshness and interest. Top wine had fruit flavour, delicacy and balance.

Class 2: Arneis

					Class #	Score	Medal
Fowles Wine	2022	Stone Dwellers	Strathbogie Ranges	2	1	85.0	Bronze
Cosa Nostra	2022	Arneis	Yarra Valley	2	2	0.0	Not Received
First Drop Wines	2023	Vivo Adelaide Hills Arneis	Adelaide Hills	2	3	88.0	Bronze
Chalk Hill	2023	Small Batch Release Arneis	Adelaide Hills	2	4	91.0	Silver
Michelini	2022	Arneis	Alpine Valleys	2	5	87.0	Bronze
Rutherglen Estate	2022	Arneis	Rutherglen	2	6	90.0	Silver
Billy Button	2023	'The Little Rascal' Arneis	Alpine Valleys	2	7	86.0	Bronze
Dal Zotto Wines	2022	Arneis	King Valley	2	8	91.0	Silver
Symphonia	2023	Arneis	King Valley	2	9	87.0	Bronze
Zerella Wines	2019	La Gita	McLaren Vale	2	10	83.0	
Patch Wines	2023	Nebbiolo Bianco (Arneis)	Yarra Valley	2	11	95.0	Gold
McGuigan	2023	Mastercraft Arnies	Adelaide Hills	2	12	86.0	Bronze

Class 2 Comments:

A hard class to judge with this variety perhaps needing more understanding for our regions and climates. The top wine was interesting with perhaps some skin contact in the lot of the lesser wines are quiet neutral whites.



Class 3A: Vermentino - 2023

				Class #	Score	Medal
Heartland	2023	Vermentino	Langhorne Creek	3A 1	86.0	Bronze
Cleanskin No 52	2023	Fleurieu Vermentino	Fleurieu	3A 2	90.0	Silver
Mercer Wines	2023	Vermentino	Hunter Valley	3A 3	93.0	Silver
Glandore	2023	White Label	Hunter Valley	3A 4	89.0	Bronze
Hungerford Hill	2023	Vermentino	Hunter Valley	3A 5	85.0	Bronze
Chalmers	2023	Vermentino	Heathcote	3A 6	87.0	Bronze
Oliver's Taranga Vineyards	2023	Vermentino	McLaren Vale	3A 7	86.0	Bronze
Tallagandra Hill	2023	The Prodigal Daughter	Canberra District	3A 8	86.5	Bronze
Varney Wines	2023	Entrada Vermentino	McLaren Vale	3A 9	90.0	Silver
Berg Herring	2023	Vermentino	McLaren Vale	3A 10	82.0	
Billy Button	2023	'The Versatile' Vermentino	Alpine Valleys	3A 11	84.0	
Small Victories Wine Co	2023	Vermentino	Riverland	3A 12	84.0	
Hither & Yon	2023	Vermentino	McLaren Vale	3A 13	95.0	Gold
Trentham Estate	2023	The Family Vermentino	Murray Darling NSW	3A 14	81.5	
Seppeltsfield Wines	2023	Barossa Vermentino	Barossa Valley	3A 15	84.0	
Chalk Hill	2023	Vermentino	McLaren Vale	3A 16	84.0	
Stappa	2023	Vermentino	Riverland	3A 17	0.0	Not Received
Golden Grove Estate	2023	Vermentino	Granite Belt	3A 18	87.0	Bronze
Nikola Estate	2023	Estate Vermentino	Geographe	3A 19	83.0	
Paper Mache	2023	Vermentino	Riverland	3A 20	85.0	Bronze
David Hook Wines	2023	Central Ranges Vermentino	Central Ranges	3A 21	83.0	
Vigna Bottin Wines	2023	Vermentino	McLaren Vale	3A 22	86.0	Bronze
Tonon Vineyard & Winery	2023	Vermentino	Perth Hills	3A 23	82.0	
Bremerton	2023	Special Release Vermentino	Langhorne Creek	3A 24	85.0	Bronze
Ricca Terra	2023	Vermentino	Riverland	3A 25	95.0	Gold
Box Grove Vineyard	2023	Vermentino	Goulburn Valley	3A 26	87.0	Bronze
Ros Ritchie Wines	2023	Sandy Creek Vineyard	Upper Goulburn	3A 27	95.5	Gold
Mr Mick	2023	Vermentino	Clare Valley	3A 28	83.0	

Class 3A Comments:

a really interesting bracket showing how vermentino can be successful in Australia. An exciting example of skin contact done well . Top wines have fruit intensity and acid balance. A few wines showed fermentation challenges and unbalanced added acidity.



Class 3B: Vermentino - 2022 and older

				Class #	Score	Medal
Michelini	2022	Vermentino	Alpine Valleys	3B 1	82.0	
Wines by KT	2022	Bianca by KT	Clare Valley	3B 2	87.0	Bronze
Vigna Bottin Wines	2022	Vermentino	McLaren Vale	3B 3	85.0	Bronze
Billy Button	2022	'The Versatile' Vermentino	Alpine Valleys	3B 4	84.0	
First Ridge	2022	Vermentino	Mudgee	3B 6	88.0	Bronze
Patritti	2022	Merchant Vermentino	Adelaide Hills	3B 7	92.0	Silver
Nacre	2022	Vermentino	Alpine Valleys	3B 8	80.0	
Fowles Wine	2021	Stone Dwellers	Strathbogie Ranges	3B 9	88.0	Bronze
Atze's Corner	2022	Estate	Barossa Valley	3B 10	95.0	Gold
Storm King Wine Co	2022	Vermentino	Granite Belt	3B 11	80.0	
Vino Intrepido	2022	A Pound of Flesh Vermentino	Nagambie Lakes	3B 12	96.0	Gold
Aces & Arrows	2022	Vermentino	Riverland	3B 13	85.0	Bronze
H&L by Hastwell & Lightfoot	2021	VERMENTINO	McLaren Vale	3B 14	93.0	Silver
Chapel Hill	2022	Small Batch #5 Fleurieu Vermentino	McLaren Vale	3B 15	82.0	
Saverio	2022	Vermentino	Big Rivers	3B 16	88.0	Bronze

Class 3B Comments:

a diverse and interesting class. The top two wines show the different styles possible with one a pristine fruit expression and one a more built and complex wine. The lesser wines lacked freshness or were under fruited and dilute.

Class 4A: Fiano - 2023

				Class #	Score	Medal
Oliver's Taranga Vineyards	2023	Fiano	McLaren Vale	4A 1	84.0	
Serafino Wines	2023	Bellissimo Fiano	McLaren Vale	4A 2	84.0	
Pikes Wines	2023	Luccio Fiano	Clare Valley	4A 3	85.0	Bronze
d'Arenberg	2023	The Sun Surfer Fiano	McLaren Vale	4A 4	97.0	Gold
Varney Wines	2023	Fiano	Langhorne Creek	4A 5	87.0	Bronze
Le Sorelle	2023	Fiano	Murray Darling Vic	4A 6	88.0	Bronze
St Aidan Wines	2023	Myra	Geographe	4A 7	86.0	Bronze
K1 Wines	2023	Fiano	Adelaide Hills	4A 8	84.0	
Coriole	2023	Fiano	McLaren Vale	4A 9	87.0	Bronze
Sherrah Wines	2023	Fiano	McLaren Vale	4A 10	88.0	Bronze
Green Door	2023	Amphora Fiano	Geographe	4A 11	86.0	Bronze
Billy Button	2023	'The Honest' Fiano	Alpine Valleys	4A 12	84.0	
By Fabiano	2023	Fiano	McLaren Vale	4A 13	88.0	Bronze



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Hither & Yon	2023	Fiano	McLaren Vale	4A	14	82.5	
La Prova	2023	Fiano	Adelaide Hills	4A	15	90.0	Silver
Chalk Hill	2023	Fiano	McLaren Vale	4A	16	85.0	Bronze
Berg Herring	2023	Fiano	McLaren Vale	4A	17	86.0	Bronze
Hungerford Hill	2023	Fiano	Hilltops	4A	18	95.0	Gold
Vino Volta	2023	So Well Then	Swan District	4A	19	84.0	
Hugo Wines	2023	Fiano	McLaren Vale	4A	20	83.0	
Vigna Bottin	2023	Fiano	McLaren Vale	4A	21	84.0	
Ricca Terra	2023	Fiano	Riverland	4A	22	95.0	Gold
Gibson Discovery Road	2023	Fiano	Barossa	4A	23	90.0	Silver
Gemtree Wines	2023	Luna Crescente Fiano	McLaren Vale	4A	24	86.0	Bronze
Maxwell Wines	2023	Fiano	McLaren Vale	4A	25	82.0	
Paper Mache	2023	Fiano	Riverland	4A	26	83.0	
Ti Amo	2023	Fiano	Rutherglen	4A	27	0.0	Withdrawn
Bremerton	2023	Special Release Fiano	Langhorne Creek	4A	28	91.0	Silver
Zilzie Wines	2023	The Source	Murray Darling Vic	4A	29	91.0	Silver
Bondar Wines	2023	Fiano	McLaren Vale	4A	30	90.0	Silver
Linear Wines	2023	Fiano	Hilltops	4A	31	83.5	
RedHeads	2023	Blue Belle Fiano	Langhorne Creek	4A	32	82.5	
Saltram Wine Estates	2023	Saltram Winemakers selection Fiano	Barossa Valley	4A	33	85.0	Bronze
Hedonist	2023	Fiano	McLaren Vale	4A	34	82.5	
Kimbolton Wines	2023	Fiano	Langhorne Creek	4A	35	83.5	
Pindarie	2023	Small Block	Barossa Valley	4A	36	90.0	Silver
Mr Mick	2023	Fiano	Clare Valley	4A	37	87.0	Bronze
S.C.Pannell	2023	Fi Fi Fiano	McLaren Vale	4A	38	87.5	Bronze
Woodstock	2023	Fiano	Fleurieu	4A	39	0.0	Not Received
Artwine	2023	Wicked Stepmother	Clare Valley	4A	40	95.0	Gold
Glandore	2023	White Label	Broke Fordwich	4A	41	83.0	
Zerella Wines	2023	La Gita	McLaren Vale	4A	42	82.5	
Bellariva	2023	Fiano	King Valley	4A	43	93.0	Silver
Baileys of Glenrowan	2023	Baileys of Glenrowan Small Batch Organic Fiano	North East Victoria	4A	44	83.0	
Main & Cherry	2023	Fiano	Adelaide Hills	4A	45	83.5	

Class 4A Comments:

Vintage conditions appeared to be challenging for many. Many wines lacked varietal definition. Top wines displayed fruit purity, and interest with fruit handling. Interesting bracket of diverse styles, fruit power and balance showing in the top wines . A clear future of citizenship for this variety



Class 4B: Fiano - 2022 and older

				Class #	Score	Medal
Rutherglen Estate	2022	Fiano	Rutherglen	4B 1	95.0	Gold
Dal Zotto Wines	2022	Fiano	King Valley	4B 2	82.0	
H&L by Hastwell & Lightfoot	2022	FIANO	McLaren Vale	4B 3	75.0	
Brown Brothers	2022	Winemaker's Series Fiano	King Valley	4B 4	85.0	Bronze
... ISH	2022	Fiano	King Valley	4B 5	84.0	
Cherubino	2022	Laissez Faire Fiano	Frankland River	4B 6	89.0	Bronze
Cosa Nostra	2022	Fiano	Heathcote	4B 7	0.0	Not Received
Moonlit Forest	2021	'Daydreamer'	Heathcote	4B 8	84.0	
Marnong Estate	2022	Fiano	Sunbury	4B 9	91.0	Silver
Bellariva	2022	Fiano	King Valley	4B 10	87.0	Bronze
Barristers Block Wines	2022	Barristers Block Aston Fiano	Langhorne Creek	4B 11	83.0	
Unico Zelo	2022	River Sand	Riverland	4B 12	83.0	
Marnong Esate	2021	Fiano	Sunbury	4B 13	90.0	Silver
Farmer & The Scientist	2022	Fiano	Heathcote	4B 14	92.0	Silver
Grove Estate	2022	Think Outside The Circle Fiano	Hilltops	4B 15	86.0	Bronze
Vino Intrepido	2021	Sting Like a Bee Fiano	Mornington Peninsula	4B 16	84.0	
Chalmers	2022	Fiano	Heathcote	4B 17	87.0	Bronze
Billy Button	2022	'The Honest' Fiano	Alpine Valleys	4B 18	85.0	Bronze
Unico Zelo	2022	Alluvium	Adelaide Hills	4B 19	90.0	Silver
Berton Vineyards Alfresco Range	2022	Fiano	Riverina	4B 20	96.0	Gold
Duxton Vineyards	2022	REWILD sustainably made FIANO	Murray Darling NSW	4B 21	0.0	Not Received
Gemtree Wines	2022	Small Batch Fiano	McLaren Vale	4B 22	83.0	
Kangarilla Road	2022	Fiano	Riverland	4B 23	87.0	Bronze
Brown Brothers	2022	Origins Series Fiano	North West Victoria	4B 24	83.0	
Tumblong Hills	2022	Table Of Plenty Fiano	Gundagai	4B 25	87.0	Bronze
Tempus Two	2022	Copper Fiano	Murray Darling NSW	4B 26	82.0	
Saverio	2022	Fiano	Riverina	4B 27	87.0	Bronze

Class 4B Comments:

An interesting class showing breadth of style and ability to have some aged complexity. The top wines showed lovely fruit expression, poise and balance. The lesser wines lacked fruit definition or were unbalanced.



Class 5: Pecorino

						Class #	Score	Medal
The Little Wine Co	2023	Pecorino	Hunter Valley	5	1	0.0	Not Received	
Chalmers	2022	Pecorino	Heathcote	5	2	87.0	Bronze	
Matriarch and Rogue	2022	Rogues of the Resistance Pecorino	Adelaide Hills	5	3	86.5	Bronze	
David Hook Wines	2023	Pecorino	Hunter Valley	5	4	84.0		
Brycefield Estate	2022	Il Dottore	Hunter Valley	5	5	92.0	Silver	
The Little Wine Co	2022	Little Gem Pecorino	Hunter Valley	5	6	91.0	Silver	
Horse & Cart Series	2023	Pecorino	Adelaide Hills	5	7	87.0	Bronze	

Class 5 Comments:

a variety in development but showing promise, Top wines have good flavour just need a little more complexity for higher ratings

Class 6: Other white Italian varietal wines (min. 85% single variety)

						Class #	Score	Medal
Ballandean Estate Wines	2023	Malvasia	Granite Belt	6	1	90.0	Silver	
Billy Button Wines	2022	'The Mysterious' Malvasia	Alpine Valleys	6	2	82.5		
Stefano Lubiana Wines	2022	Amphora Malvasia	Tasmania	6	3	84.0		
Wangolina	2023	Seasons Malvasia Istriana	Mount Benson	6	4	84.0		
Billy Button	2022	'The Feisty' Friulano	King Valley	6	5	82.0		
Quealy Winemakers	2022	Turbul Friulano	Mornington Peninsula	6	6	85.0	Bronze	
Billy Button Wines	2022	'The Delinquent' Verduzzo	Alpine Valleys	6	7	89.0	Bronze	
Billy Button Wines	2021	Silver Xenica Verduzzo	Alpine Valleys	6	8	87.0	Bronze	
XO Wine Co	2023	Vino Bianco Cortese	Adelaide Hills	6	9	85.0	Bronze	
Chalmers	2022	Bush Vine Inzolia	Murray Darling Vic	6	10	87.0	Bronze	
Chalmers	2022	Falanghina	Heathcote	6	11	96.0	Gold	
Fighting Gully Road	2022	Verdicchio	Beechworth	6	12	95.0	Gold	
Dott.	2023	Ribolla Gialla	Heathcote	6	13	86.0	Bronze	
Dal Zotto Wines	2022	Garganega	King Valley	6	14	83.0		
MDI Wines	2022	Picolit Skin.Ed XXII	Murray Darling NSW	6	15	0.0	Not Received	
LINO RAMBLE	2022	SOLITAIRE	McLaren Vale	6	16	83.0		
Chalmers	2022	Greco	Heathcote	6	17	84.0		
Salvatore	2022	Trebbiano	Riverina	6	18	85.0	Bronze	

Class 6 Comments:

Quite the penopoly of varieties , diverse styles and flavours. Top wines are bright and delicious , a number of wine expressed fermentation challenges



Class 7A: Viognier - 2023

			Class #	Score	Medal
Yalumba Wines	2023	Yalumba Organic Viognier	7A 2	86.0	Bronze
McGuigan	2023	Mastercraft Viognier	7A 3	93.0	Silver
Stappa	2023	Viognier	7A 4	0.0	Not Received
Metal Label	2023	Viognier	7A 5	87.0	Bronze
Ballandean Estate Wines	2023	Wild Ferment Viognier	7A 6	89.0	Bronze
Calabria Family Wines	2023	Deakin Estate Viognier	7A 7	0.0	Not Received
Tahbilk	2023	Viognier	7A 8	92.0	Silver
Artwine	2023	Madam V	7A 9	85.0	Bronze
Tallagandra Hill	2023	The Diplomat	7A 10	85.0	Bronze

Class 7A Comments:

An interesting class. The top two wines were well made but slightly missing either seamlessness or balance. The lesser wines suffered out of balance alcohol, sweetness or under fruited.

Class 7B: Viognier - 2022 and older

			Class #	Score	Medal
SOUMAH	2021	Equilibrio Viognier	7B 5	93.0	Silver
Balgownie Estate	2022	Viognier	7B 6	91.0	Silver
Whicher Ridge	2021	Mademoiselle V Viognier	7B 7	82.5	
Water Wheel	2021	Viognier	7B 8	85.5	Bronze
Purple Hen	2022	Viognier	7B 9	84.0	
Yalumba Wines	2021	Yalumba The Virgilius Viognier	7B 10	84.0	
ridgemill estate	2022	Viognier	7B 11	83.5	
SCION	2022	Viognier	7B 12	90.0	Silver
RedHeads	2022	Viognier	7B 13	95.0	Gold
Grove Estate	2022	Think Outside The Circle Innocence	7B 14	84.0	
Nepenthe	2022	Pinnacle Viognier	7B 15	86.0	Bronze
Indigo Vineyard	2022	Secret Village Viognier	7B 16	89.0	Bronze

Class 7B Comments:

good selection of Viognier across regions. Looked for wines with richness, and acid balance. Lots of flavour, however, would be great to see more wines offering freshness and complexity.



Class 8: Marsanne

			Class #	Score	Medal
Tahbilk	2018	Marsanne	8 1	90.0	Silver
Lark Hill Winery	2022	Dark Horse Vineyard Marsanne	8 2	83.5	
Patch Wines	2023	Marsanne	8 3	85.5	Bronze
Tahbilk	2016	"1927 Vines" Marsanne	8 4	93.0	Silver
See Saw Organic Wine	2022	Invergo Marsanne	8 5	84.5	
Tahbilk	2022	Marsanne	8 6	87.5	Bronze
Tahbilk	2023	Marsanne	8 7	85.5	Bronze
Tahbilk	2019	Marsanne	8 8	95.0	Gold

Class 8 Comments:

Current vintage lacking definition, wondering whether the styles are made for late release, or for early consumption. Great to see a couple older wines showing complexity.

Class 9: Pinot Blanc/Bianco

			Class #	Score	Medal
Sidewood Estate	2022	Mappinga Pinot Blanc	9 1	92.0	Silver
Billy Button	2023	'The Demure' Pinot Blanc	9 2	88.0	Bronze
Dal Zotto Wines	2022	Pinot Bianco	9 3	85.0	Bronze
Laissez Faire	2021	Pemberton Pinot Blanc	9 4	95.0	Gold

Class 9 Comments:

A good class of four wines. Top two should well handled fruit with expression, balance and texture. The lesser two wines suffered some dilution and varietal characteristics.

Class 10: Other white French varietal wines (min. 85% single variety)

			Class #	Score	Medal
Coriole	2023	Piquepoul	10 1	91.5	Silver
Lloyd Brothers	2023	Adelaide Hills Estate Picpoul	10 2	90.0	Silver
Mercer Wines	2023	Picpoul Blanc	10 3	82.5	
Ministry of Clouds	2023	Picpoul	10 4	93.0	Silver
Mr. Riggs Wine Co.	2023	Picpoul	10 5	89.5	Bronze
Saddler's Creek Wines	2023	Winemakers Craft Piquepoul Blanc	10 6	83.0	
Billy Button	2022	The Mixed Up Manseng	10 7	87.5	Bronze
Topper's Mountain Wines	2021	Manseng	10 8	89.0	Bronze



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Secret Harvest	2022	Grand Manseng	Alpine Valleys	10	9	93.5	Silver
Symphonia	2021	Gros Manseng	King Valley	10	10	87.0	Bronze
Billy Button	2023	The Mixed Up Manseng	King Valley	10	11	89.5	Bronze
Topper's Mountain Wines	2022	Manseng	New England Australia	10	12	86.5	Bronze
Aphelion Wine Co.	2023	Welkin Chenin Blanc	Adelaide Hills	10	13	88.0	Bronze
Coughlan Estate	2022	Chenin Blanc	Geographe	10	14	95.0	Gold
Sherrah Wines	2023	Chenin Blanc	McLaren Vale	10	15	90.5	Silver
Tumblong Hills	2022	Chenin Blanc	Gundagai	10	16	87.0	Bronze
Vino Volta	2022	Funky and Fearless Chenin Blanc	Swan Valley	10	17	86.5	Bronze
Wines of Merritt	2021	Wilyabrup Chenin	Margaret River	10	18	86.0	Bronze
Berton Vineyards Alfresco Range	2022	Aranel	Riverina	10	19	95.0	Gold
Moorilla Praxis	2023	Chardonnay Musque	Tasmania	10	20	87.5	Bronze
Grenache Wizardry	2021	Grenache Blanc	Heathcote	10	21	84.5	
Maxwell Wines	2023	Clan Exclusive Grenache Blanc	McLaren Vale	10	22	82.5	
Yalumba Wines	2023	Yalumba Vine Vale Grenache Blanc	Barossa	10	23	0.0	Withdrawn
Almondcart Wines	2022	Grenache Gris	Adelaide Hills	10	24	88.0	Bronze
Artwine	2022	Masterpiece	Clare Valley	10	25	91.0	Silver
Larnook	2023	Grenache Gris	McLaren Vale	10	26	86.5	Bronze
Dandelion Vineyards	2023	Honeypot of the Barossa Rousanne	Barossa	10	27	87.5	Bronze
Indigo Vineyard	2022	Secret Village Roussane	Beechworth	10	28	83.0	
Jester Hill Wines	2022	Touchstone Roussanne	Granite Belt	10	29	83.0	
Yalumba Wines	2021	Yalumba Samuel's Collection Eden Valley Roussanne	Eden Valley	10	30	90.0	Silver
SOUMAH	NV	Wild Savagnin Solero No. 2	Yarra Valley	10	31	83.0	
Glandore	2022	Cameleon	Hunter Valley	10	32	82.0	
Crittenden	2018	Cri de Coeur	Mornington Peninsula	10	33	96.0	Gold
SOUMAH	2023	Hexham Vineyard Savarro	Yarra Valley	10	34	89.0	Bronze

Class 10 Comments:

An eclectic and exciting class to judge, underlining the fact that Gallic thrills in Australian vineyards can extend beyond the classic early colonisers we all know so well.



Class 11: Albarino

			Class #		Score	Medal
ridgemill estate	2023	"La Nina"	11	1	86.0	Bronze
Gemtree Wines	2022	Small Batch Albariño	11	2	80.0	
Artwine	2022	Spanish Queen Reserva	11	3	92.0	Silver
Running with Bulls	2023	Eden Valley Albarino	11	4	89.0	Bronze
Pikes Wines	2023	Luccio Albarino	11	5	88.0	Bronze
Cavedon	2022	Albariño	11	6	85.0	Bronze
Matriarch and Rogue	2023	Rex	11	7	88.0	Bronze
Orbis Wines	2022	2022 Albarino	11	8	80.0	
Anderson & Marsh	2023	Parell Albarino	11	9	95.0	Gold
Nepenthe	2022	Pinnacle Albarino	11	10	85.0	Bronze
La Linea	2023	Albarino	11	11	90.0	Silver
Artwine	2023	The Real Thing	11	12	96.0	Gold
Yeates Wines	2023	Albariño	11	13	89.0	Bronze

Class 11 Comments:

A pleasing class to judge with many delightful wines made with lovely fruit expression, well handled acidity and phenolic balance. Some wines made differently to add different layers and textures which is great to see. The top wines are expressive, bright and lovely fruit examples.

Class 12: Arinto

			Class #		Score	Medal
Terra do Rio	2022	Arinto	12	1	90.0	Silver
Zilzie Platinum Edition	2022	Arinto	12	2	86.0	Bronze
LINO RAMBLE	2023	DOT TO DOT	12	3	88.0	Bronze

Class 12 Comments:

An interesting and joyous class. The wines show lovely fruit expression and interest, just need a bit more complexity and fruit drive to get higher medals. It will be nice to watch this variety continue to evolve as the vines age.

Class 13: Gewurztraminer

			Class #		Score	Medal
Cavedon	2022	Gewurztraminer	13	7	84.0	
Ros Ritchie Wines	2023	Dead Man's Hill Vineyard	13	8	88.0	Bronze
Skillogalee Estate	2023	Skillogalee Gewurtztraminer	13	9	90.0	Silver
Nepenthe	2023	Pinnacle Gewurztraminer	13	10	92.0	Silver



Speakeasy	2018	Gewurztraminer	Adelaide Hills	13	11	0.0	Not Received
Glandore	2023	White Label	Hunter Valley	13	12	83.0	
Linear Wines	2023	Gewurztraminer	Tumbarumba	13	13	85.0	Bronze

Class 13 Comments:

a number of wines expressing fermentation challenges limiting the purity. better wines had good varietal expression and balance. A little more intensity and energy required to get to the top levels .

Class 14: Gruener Veltliner

				Class #	Score	Medal	
Billy Button	2023	'The Groovy' Gruner Veltliner	Alpine Valleys	14	1	85.5	Bronze
Wangolina	2023	A-Series Grüner Veltliner	Mount Benson	14	2	91.5	Silver
RedHeads	2023	Grüner Veltliner	Adelaide Hills	14	3	83.0	
Aces & Arrows	2022	Gruener Veltliner	Adelaide Hills	14	4	84.5	
Main & Cherry	2022	Grüner Veltliner	Adelaide Hills	14	5	86.5	Bronze
Nacre	2022	Gruener Veltliner	Alpine Valleys	14	6	87.5	Bronze
Billy Button	2022	'The Groovy' Gruner Veltliner	Alpine Valleys	14	7	95.0	Gold
O'Leary Walker Wines	2023	Grüner Veltliner	Clare Valley	14	8	87.0	Bronze
Longview Vineyard	2023	Macclesfield Gruner	Adelaide Hills	14	9	96.0	Gold
Artwine	2023	In the Groove	Adelaide Hills	14	10	84.0	
Stockman's Ridge	2022	Rider	Orange	14	11	88.0	Bronze
Speakeasy	2018	Gruener Veltliner	Adelaide Hills	14	12	0.0	Not Received
Stockman's Ridge	2022	Sinature Range	Orange	14	13	83.0	
Lark Hill Winery	2022	Lark Hill Vineyard Gruner Veltliner	Canberra District	14	14	83.5	
Linear Wines	2023	Gruener Veltliner	Tumbarumba	14	15	87.5	Bronze
K1 Wines	2022	Gruener Veltliner	Adelaide Hills	14	16	95.0	Gold
Tomich Wines	2023	Woodside Vineyard	Adelaide Hills	14	17	86.5	Bronze
Collector	2022	Ledger Grüner Veltliner	Tumbarumba	14	18	91.5	Silver
Berrigan Wines	2023	"Shining Rock" Grüner Veltliner	Adelaide Hills	14	19	87.5	Bronze
Hahndorf Hill	2023	Gru Gruner Veltliner	Adelaide Hills	14	20	86.0	Bronze
Hand Crafted by Geoff Hardy	2022	Gruener Veltliner	Adelaide Hills	14	21	89.5	Bronze
Hahndorf Hill	2023	White Mischief	Adelaide Hills	14	22	84.0	
Chain of Ponds	2023	Unchained Adelaide Hills Gruner Veltliner	Adelaide Hills	14	23	86.5	Bronze

Class 14 Comments:

It would be easy to simply apply the old class comments cliché "pleasing diversity of styles here" but that doesn't really acknowledge the reality that asking what truly constitutes great Gruner in this country is a question without a really clearly defined answer just yet. There are great wines here, and the callbacks reflected a pleasing stylistic spread, but many wines are grappling with ripeness, elusive varietal definition and phenolics...and not always winning



Class 15: Other white varietal wines (not Italian or French; min. 85% single variety)

			Class #	Score	Medal
Oakway Estate	2023	Trocken Scheurebe	15 1	89.0	Bronze
Jim Barry	2023	Assyrtiko	15 2	93.0	Silver
Monak Wine Co	2023	Ver Iberian Range	15 3	85.0	Bronze
Monak Wine Co	2023	Moniacal Blanca Fria	15 4	85.0	Bronze
Chaffey Bros. Wine Co.	2022	Kontrapunkt Kerner	15 5	88.5	Bronze

Class 15 Comments:

Enjoyable bracket of wines- Top wine is well made and has great potential.

Class 16: White blends

			Class #	Score	Medal
Blood Moon Wines	2023	Moonrise	16 1	85.5	Bronze
Blood Moon Wines	2022	Peau de Lune	16 2	84.0	
Mother Block	2023	Skin Contact	16 3	82.5	
Ricca Terra	2022	Bronco Buster	16 4	87.0	Bronze
Montevecchio	2023	Bianco	16 5	93.0	Silver
Ballandean Estate Wines	2023	GFM Giallo, Fiano Malvasia	16 6	86.0	Bronze
By Fabiano	2023	Greco Fiano	16 7	82.5	
Mother Block	2023	White	16 8	95.0	Gold
Renaissance	2022	VRM	16 9	89.0	Bronze
Trentham Estate	2023	Reserve Three Fields	16 10	84.5	
Rutherglen Estate	2022	Shelleys Block	16 11	96.0	Gold
The Tower	2023	Roussanne Marsanne	16 12	83.5	
Yangarra Estate Vineyard	2022	Blanc	16 13	82.5	
Hahndorf Hill	2023	Brother Nature Field Blend	16 14	83.5	

Class 16 Comments:

Very diverse range of blends and winemaking styles. Top wine had complexity, and lovely fruit presence and balance.



Class 17: Rosé

					Class #	Score	Medal
Knappstein Wines	2023	Rose	Clare Valley	17	1	83.5	
Florette	2022	Adelaide Hills Rose	Adelaide Hills	17	2	85.5	Bronze
Chapel Hill	2022	Abacus McLaren Vale Mourvedre Rose	McLaren Vale	17	3	82.0	
Valle del Re	2023	Sangiovese Rose	King Valley	17	4	85.5	Bronze
Hither & Yon	2023	Mataro Rose	McLaren Vale	17	5	86.0	Bronze
Forester Estate	2023	Jack out the Box Rose	Margaret River	17	6	82.0	
Chalmers	2023	Rosato	Heathcote	17	7	88.0	Bronze
Vinoque	2023	Nebbiolo Rosato	Yarra Valley	17	8	85.0	Bronze
Smallwater Estate	2023	Roze	Geographe	17	9	88.0	Bronze
Dal Zotto Wines	2023	Rosato	King Valley	17	10	82.0	
Mother Block	2023	Rose	Murray Darling Vic	17	11	83.5	
Pindarie	2023	Rosedale Road Sangiovese Rose	Barossa Valley	17	12	87.5	Bronze
K1 Wines	2023	Rose	Adelaide Hills	17	13	82.0	
d'Arenberg	2023	Stephanie The Gnome With Rose Coloured Glasses	McLaren Vale	17	14	83.0	
Jester Hill Wines	2023	Sangiovese Rose	Granite Belt	17	15	82.5	
Kimbolton Wines	2023	Montepulciano Rose	Langhorne Creek	17	16	92.0	Silver
Ricca Terra	2022	Colour of Calmness	Riverland	17	17	86.0	Bronze
Tumblong Hills	2023	Table of Plenty Rose	Gundagai	17	18	92.0	Silver
Pikes Wines	2023	Luccio Rose	Clare Valley	17	19	83.5	
ridgemill estate	2023	Snigley's dry rose	South Burnett	17	20	83.5	
Baileys of Glenrowan	2023	Baileys of Glenrowan Small Batch Series Organic Rose	North East Victoria	17	21	84.0	
SOUTH WINES	2023	Nero D'Avola	Fleurieu	17	22	82.5	
rokkwell	2023	Nebbiolo Rosé	Granite Belt	17	23	95.0	Gold
H&L by Hastwell & Lightfoot	2023	Barbera Rosé	McLaren Vale	17	24	90.0	Silver
Wangolina	2023	A-Series Rosato	Limestone Coast	17	25	83.5	
Chapel Hill	2023	The Parson McLaren Vale Sangiovese Rose	Fleurieu	17	26	93.0	Silver
Vigna Bottin Wines	2023	Rosato	McLaren Vale	17	27	85.5	Bronze
Trentham Estate	2023	The Family Sangiovese Rose	Murray Darling NSW	17	28	86.5	Bronze
Amadio Wines	2023	Horse & Cart Series, Nebbiolo Rose	Adelaide Hills	17	29	85.5	Bronze
Stappa	2022	Rose	Riverland	17	30	0.0	Not Received
Tar & Roses	2023	Tar&Roses Rose Mediterraneo	Heathcote	17	31	83.5	
Billy Button	2023	Rosato	Alpine Valleys	17	32	83.5	
Fighting Gully Road	2022	Rose'	Beechworth	17	33	82.5	
d'Arenberg	2023	The House of Pink Mind Your Ps & Qs Rose	McLaren Vale	17	34	87.5	Bronze
Michelini	2023	Nebiolo Rose	Alpine Valleys	17	35	81.5	
Pauletts	2023	Sangiovese Rose	Clare Valley	17	36	84.5	



By Fabiano 2023 Rosato McLaren Vale 17 37 85.0 Bronze

Class 17 Comments:

Many wines had sour acidity and lacked delicacy and poise. Best wines had brightness, freshness and definition.

Class 18A: Sangiovese - 2022 and younger

				Class #	Score	Medal
Saltfleet	2022	Sangiovese	McLaren Vale	18A 1	90.0	Silver
Sapling Yard	2022	Sangiovese	Hilltops	18A 2	87.0	Bronze
Gargoyle Wines	2022	Sangiovese	McLaren Vale	18A 3	91.0	Silver
Hedonist Wines	2022	Sangiovese	McLaren Vale	18A 4	84.0	
Paxton Wines	2022	Sangiovese	McLaren Vale	18A 5	95.0	Gold
Rutherglen Estate	2022	Sangiovese	Rutherglen	18A 6	90.0	Silver
La Prova	2022	Sangiovese	Adelaide Hills	18A 7	93.0	Silver
Signor Vino	2022	Single Vineyard	Adelaide Hills	18A 8	93.0	Silver
d'Arenberg	2022	The Mind Palace Sangiovese	McLaren Vale	18A 9	85.0	Bronze
Berrigan Wines	2022	"Shining Rock" Sangiovese	Adelaide Hills	18A 10	95.0	Gold
La Cantina King Valley	2022	Sangiovese	King Valley	18A 11	83.0	
Coriole	2022	Sangiovese	McLaren Vale	18A 12	91.0	Silver
Pizzini Wines	2022	Pizzini Pietra Rossa Sangiovese	King Valley	18A 13	88.0	Bronze
Billy Button	2022	'The Rustic' Sangiovese	Alpine Valleys	18A 14	83.0	
Glandore	2022	White Label	Hilltops	18A 15	83.0	
Hugh Hamilton Wines	2022	The Mongrel	McLaren Vale	18A 16	84.0	
Ravensworth	2022	Regional	Hilltops	18A 17	88.0	Bronze
Berg Herring	2022	Sangiovese	McLaren Vale	18A 18	86.0	Bronze
Mr Mick	2023	Sangiovese	Clare Valley	18A 19	95.0	Gold
Pikes Wines	2022	Il Premio Sangiovese	Clare Valley	18A 20	89.0	Bronze
Lark Hill Winery	2022	Dark Horse Vineyard Sangiovese	Canberra District	18A 21	83.0	
Collector	2022	Rose Red City Sangiovese	Canberra District	18A 22	83.0	
Tar & Roses	2022	Tar & Roses Sangiovese	Heathcote	18A 23	88.0	Bronze
Valley Selection	2022	Sangiovese	Heathcote	18A 24	84.5	
Brokenwood Wines	2023	Sangiovese	Beechworth	18A 25	88.5	Bronze
The Ethereal One	2022	Fleurieu Sangiovese	Fleurieu	18A 26	84.0	
Hungerford Hill	2022	Sangiovese	Hilltops	18A 27	87.0	Bronze
LINO RAMBLE	2022	MARCO POLO		18A 28	95.0	Gold



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Coriole	2022	Koukalaka	McLaren Vale	18A	29	84.0	
Angullong	2022	Fossil Hill	Orange	18A	30	87.5	Bronze
Grove Estate	2022	Hilltops Sangiovese	Hilltops	18A	31	88.0	Bronze
Serafino Wines	2023	Bellissimo Sangiovese	McLaren Vale	18A	32	85.5	Bronze
Pikes Wines	2022	Luccio Sangiovese	Clare Valley	18A	33	88.5	Bronze
Indigo Vineyard	2022	Sangiovese	Beechworth	18A	34	82.5	
Vinoque	2022	Terra Antica Sangiovese	Heathcote	18A	35	89.5	Bronze
Main & Cherry	2022	Sangiovese	McLaren Vale	18A	36	83.5	
Tonon Vineyard & Winery	2022	Sangiovese	Perth Hills	18A	37	97.0	Gold
Nugan Estate	2022	Alfredo Sangiovese	King Valley	18A	38	83.0	
Franca's Vineyard	2022	Sangiovese	Murray Darling Vic	18A	39	83.5	
Fighting Gully Road	2022	Beechworth Sangiovese	Beechworth	18A	40	85.5	Bronze
Saltram Wine Estates	2022	Saltram Winemakers Selection Sangiovese	Barossa Valley	18A	41	95.0	Gold
Unico Zelo	2022	Pastafarian	Clare Valley	18A	42	81.5	
Small Victories Wine Co	2022	Sangiovese	Adelaide Hills	18A	43	95.0	Gold
Saverio	2022	Sangiovese	Mount Lofty Ranges	18A	44	82.5	

Class 18A Comments:

a great class with some exceptional examples of the variety in a range of styles. The top wines showed exceptional fruit expression with balanced and integrated tannin and acidity. The lesser wines were out of condition, tired or had technical faults.

Class 18B: Sangiovese - 2021 and older

				Class #	Score	Medal
Fighting Gully Road	2019	La Longa Sangiovese	Beechworth	18B 1	86.5	Bronze
The Little Wine Co	2019	Little Gem Sangiovese	Hunter	18B 2	85.5	Bronze
Vigna Bottin Wines	2021	Sangiovese	McLaren Vale	18B 3	91.5	Silver
The Little Wine Co	2021	Sangiovese	Hunter	18B 4	90.0	Silver
Mr. Riggs Wine Co.	2021	Sanjo 2021 Sangiovese Adelaide Hills	Adelaide Hills	18B 5	83.5	
Fowles Wine	2021	Stone Dwellers	Strathbogie Ranges	18B 6	89.5	Bronze
Eldredge Vineyards	2021	Deano	Clare Valley	18B 7	85.0	Bronze
Dalfarras	2021	Sangiovese	Central Victoria	18B 8	93.5	Silver
Coriole	2021	Vita	McLaren Vale	18B 9	83.0	
Calabria Family Wines	2021	Alternato Sangiovese	Barossa Valley	18B 10	0.0	Not Received
Amadio Wines Pty Ltd	2021	Vino Di Famiglia Sangiovese	Adelaide Hills	18B 11	84.5	

Class 18B Comments:

Mostly underwhelming. Too many wines out in the Badlands of ripeness, where fruit density obscures the transparent charms of the variety. A couple of solid silver medals show better understanding of the varieties mid-weight charm



Class 19: Nebbiolo

				Class #	Score	Medal
Black & Ginger	2021	L'Amante	Pyrenees	19 1	83.5	
La Cantina King Valley	2022	Nebbiolo	King Valley	19 2	82.5	
Ridgemill estate	2021	WYP	Granite Belt	19 3	92.0	Silver
Ferngrove	2020	Red Spider Nebbiolo	Great Southern	19 4	86.5	Bronze
Ros Ritchie Wines	2019	Timbertop Vineyard	Upper Goulburn	19 5	83.0	
Glandore	2022	White Label	Hilltops	19 6	85.5	Bronze
Serafino Wines	2021	Bellissimo Nebbiolo	McLaren Vale	19 7	85.0	Bronze
Saddler's Creek Wines	2022	Winemaker's Craft Nebbiolo	Hilltops	19 8	92.0	Silver
Billy Button	2021	'The Elusive' Nebbiolo	Alpine Valleys	19 9	82.5	
Protero	2021	Nebbiolo	Adelaide Hills	19 10	88.0	Bronze
Saffron Gramophone	2021	Nebbiolo	North East Victoria	19 11	84.0	
Muichelini	2021	Nebbiolo	Alpine Valleys	19 12	86.0	Bronze
Topper's Mountain Wines	2022	Nebbiolo	New England Australia	19 13	82.5	
Billy Button	2022	'The Elusive' Nebbiolo	Alpine Valleys	19 14	85.0	Bronze
Protero	2019	CAPO Nebbiolo	Adelaide Hills	19 15	85.5	Bronze
Traviarti	2021	Traviarti Nebbiolo	Beechworth	19 16	86.5	Bronze
Trentham Estate	2021	The Family Nebbiolo	Murray Darling NSW	19 17	85.0	Bronze
Vineyard 28	2021	Nebbiolo	Geographe	19 18	95.0	Gold
Varney Wines	2020	Nebbiolo	Adelaide Hills	19 19	88.5	Bronze
Pipan Steel Wines	2018	Clone IX	Alpine Valleys	19 20	82.5	
Ferngrove	2021	Red Spider Nebbiolo	Frankland River	19 21	87.5	Bronze
Grove Estate	2022	Sommita Nebbiolo	Hilltops	19 22	92.0	Silver
Trandari	2019	Nebbiolo	Hilltops	19 23	88.0	Bronze
Pipan Steel Wines	2018	Tesoro	Alpine Valleys	19 24	82.5	
Dott.	2022	Nebbiolo	Heathcote	19 25	93.0	Silver
Longview Vineyard	2021	Saturnus	Adelaide Hills	19 26	85.5	Bronze
Trandari	2021	Nebbiolo	Hilltops	19 27	88.0	Bronze
Lingo	2021	Adelaide Hills Nebbiolo	Adelaide Hills	19 28	86.0	Bronze
Tar & Roses	2021	Tar&Roses Nebbiolo	Heathcote	19 29	83.5	
Cherubino	2021	Frankland River Nebbiolo	Frankland River	19 30	86.0	Bronze
SOUMAH	2020	Hexham Vineyard Nebbiolo	Western Victoria	19 31	86.5	Bronze
Dal Zotto Wines	2022	Nebbiolo	King Valley	19 32	87.0	Bronze
Green Door	2021	Amphora Nebbiolo	Geographe	19 33	96.0	Gold
Saverio	2022	Nebbiolo	Hilltops	19 34	85.5	Bronze

Class 19 Comments:

Mixed bag showing vintage and regional variances. Class demonstrated depth and range of styles for Nebbiolo. Many wines showed over ripe characters and lacked balance, top wines displayed varietal characteristics and fruit definition.



Class 20: Barbera

			Class #		Score	Medal
Saddler's Creek Wines	2021	Winemaker's Craft Barbera	Adelaide Hills	20 1	85.0	Bronze
Protero	2021	Barbera	Adelaide Hills	20 2	88.0	Bronze
Mercer Wines	2022	Barbera	Orange	20 3	95.0	Gold
Billy Button	2022	'The Affable' Barbera	Alpine Valleys	20 4	82.0	
Billy Button	2021	'The Affable' Barbera	Alpine Valleys	20 5	86.0	Bronze
Longview Vineyard	2021	Jupiter Barbera	Adelaide Hills	20 6	86.0	Bronze
Golden Grove Estate	2022	Barbera	Granite Belt	20 7	86.0	Bronze
Chalk Hill	2022	Small Batch Release Barbera	McLaren Vale	20 8	92.0	Silver
H&L by Hastwell & Lightfoot	2022	Barbera	McLaren Vale	20 9	88.0	Bronze
Nacre	2021	Barbera	Alpine Valleys	20 10	84.0	
Serafino Wines	2022	Bellissimo Barbera	McLaren Vale	20 11	88.0	Bronze
The Little Wine Co	2021	Barbera	Hunter Valley	20 12	83.0	
First Drop Wines	2022	Moderno Adelaide Hills Barbera	Adelaide Hills	20 13	95.0	Gold
Dal Zotto Wines	2022	Barbera	King Valley	20 14	83.0	
XO Wine Co	2022	Small Batch Barbera	Adelaide Hills	20 15	86.0	Bronze
Angullong	2022	Fossil Hill	Orange	20 16	89.0	Bronze
First Ridge	2022	Barbera	Mudgee	20 17	88.0	Bronze
La Cantina King Valley	2022	Barbera	King Valley	20 18	83.0	
Dal Zotto Wines	2021	L'immigrante Barbera	King Valley	20 19	82.0	
Haselgrove Wines	2023	Alternative Series Barbera	McLaren Vale	20 20	84.0	
First Ridge	2021	Barbera	Mudgee	20 21	96.0	Gold
Vineyard 28	2022	Wildwater Barbera	Geographe	20 22	87.0	Bronze
Michelini	2022	Barbera	Alpine Valleys	20 23	82.0	
David Hook Wines	2022	Central Ranges Barbera	Central Ranges	20 24	89.0	Bronze

Class 20 Comments:

an exceptional class of barbera which was a delight to judge. Wonderfully handled acidity, tannin and fruit expression lead to many exceptional wines. Top wines showed great balance and complexity. Lesser wines lacked expression, were disjointed or out of condition.

Class 21: Sagrantino

			Class #		Score	Medal
Saddler's Creek Wines	2021	Winemaker's Craft Sagrantino	Adelaide Hills	21 1	90.0	Silver
Andrew Peace Wines	2020	Australia Felix Sagrantino	Swan Hill	21 2	91.0	Silver
David Hook Wines	2022	Sagrantino	Central Ranges	21 3	88.0	Bronze
Oliver's Taranga Vineyards	2021	Sagrantino	McLaren Vale	21 4	83.0	



Angullong	2022	Fossil Hill	Orange	21	5	85.0	Bronze
Andrew Peace Wines	2021	Australia Felix Sagrantino	Swan Hill	21	6	84.0	
Clay Pot Wines	2020	Pyrrha	Heathcote	21	7	82.0	

Class 21 Comments:

wrangling the tannin will be a key to success. Many wines overtly astringent and drying .

Class 22: Aglianico

				Class #	Score	Medal	
Saddler's Creek Wines	2021	Winemaker's Craft Aglianico	Adelaide Hills	22	1	88.0	Bronze
S.C.Pannell	2021	Aglianico	McLaren Vale	22	2	0.0	Not Received
Purple Hands Wines	2021	After Five Wine Co Aglianico	Barossa Valley	22	3	84.0	
Fighting Gully Road	2019	Aglianico	Alpine Valleys	22	4	87.0	Bronze
Chalmers Project	2023	Aglianico Bambino	Heathcote	22	5	95.0	Gold
S.C.Pannell	2022	Merrivale Aglianico	McLaren Vale	22	6	90.0	Silver

Class 22 Comments:

well constructed examples of a variety that is finding its way and home in Australia

Class 23A: Montepulciano - 2022 and younger

				Class #	Score	Medal	
Wangolina	2022	A-Series Montepulciano	Limestone Coast	23A	1	85.0	Bronze
Chalk Hill	2022	Small Batch Release Montepulciano	McLaren Vale	23A	2	95.0	Gold
Calabria Family Wines	2022	Belena Montepulciano	Riverina	23A	3	0.0	Not Received
Marnong Estate	2022	Montepulciano	Sunbury	23A	4	83.0	
Serafino Wines	2023	Bellissimo Montepulciano	McLaren Vale	23A	5	86.0	Bronze
Artwine	2022	Leave Your Hat On	Clare Valley	23A	6	92.0	Silver
1164	2022	Montepulciano	Big Rivers	23A	7	80.5	
Angullong	2022	Fossil Hill	Orange	23A	8	83.0	
Ravensworth	2022	Hilltops	Hilltops	23A	9	95.0	Gold
Hither & Yon	2022	Montepulciano	McLaren Vale	23A	10	85.0	Bronze
Coriole	2022	Montepulciano	McLaren Vale	23A	11	82.5	
S.C.Pannell	2022	Montepulciano	Langhorne Creek	23A	12	90.0	Silver



Matriarch and Rogue	2022	Jim	Clare Valley	23A	13	90.0	Silver
d'Arenberg	2022	The Hunjee Heartstring Montepulciano	McLaren Vale	23A	14	86.0	Bronze
Loverman	2022	Montepulciano	Adelaide Hills	23A	15	87.5	Bronze
Gibson Discovery Road	2022	Montepulciano	Barossa	23A	16	85.0	Bronze
Woodstock	2022	'Free Borough' Montepulciano	McLaren Vale	23A	17	0.0	Not Received
Ricca Terra	2022	Montepulciano	Riverland	23A	18	83.5	
RedHeads	2022	Montepulciano	Barossa Valley	23A	19	96.0	Gold
Purple Hands Wines	2022	Oenotri	Barossa Valley	23A	20	0.0	Not Received
Haselgrove Wines	2022	Alternative Series Montepulciano	McLaren Vale	23A	21	88.5	Bronze
Purple Hands Wines	2022	After Five Wine Co Montepulciano	Barossa Valley	23A	22	90.0	Silver
Mercer Wines	2022	Montepulciano	Central Ranges	23A	23	87.0	Bronze
Alejandro	2022	Montepulciano	Riverland	23A	24	84.0	
Pindarie	2022	Small Block	Barossa Valley	23A	25	86.0	Bronze
Grove Estate	2022	Hilltops Montepulciano	Hilltops	23A	26	83.0	
Kimbolton Wines	2022	Montepulciano	Langhorne Creek	23A	27	85.0	Bronze

Class 23A Comments:

overall good varietal expressions , showing the range of styles that Monte can produce . Top wines show diversity of this variety , having complexity and shape. Be wary of acid adjustments and pushing to hard

Class 23B: Montepulciano - 2021 and older

				Class #	Score	Medal	
Marnong Esate	2021	Montepulciano	Sunbury	23B	1	83.0	
d'Arenberg	2021	The Hunjee Heartstring Montepulciano	McLaren Vale	23B	2	87.5	Bronze
Angullong	2021	Fossil Hill	Orange	23B	3	95.0	Gold
Hand Crafted by Geoff Hardy	2021	Montepulciano	Limestone Coast	23B	4	88.0	Bronze
Atze's Corner	2021	Mob	Barossa Valley	23B	5	90.0	Silver
Kangarilla Road	2021	Montepulciano	Riverland	23B	6	84.0	
Regional Classic	2021	Heathcote Montepulciano	Heathcote	23B	7	84.5	
Little William	2019	Single Vineyard	Adelaide Hills	23B	8	82.5	
Barristers Block Wines	2021	Barristers Block Country Series Montepulciano	Langhorne Creek	23B	9	85.5	Bronze
Mr. Riggs Wine Co.	2021	Montepulciano d'Adelaide	Adelaide Hills	23B	10	89.0	Bronze
Purple Hands Wines	2021	After Five Wine Co Montepulciano	Barossa Valley	23B	11	96.0	Gold
Lingo	2021	Adelaide Hills Montepulciano	Adelaide Hills	23B	12	87.0	Bronze
First Drop Wines	2019	Minchia Adelaide Hills Montepulciano	Adelaide Hills	23B	13	84.5	



Class 23B Comments:

A varied class raising as many questions as it offers answers. Some wines running out of steam already, but those that appealed were those retaining energy and life, offering structural interest as well

Class 24A: Nero d'Avola 2023

				Class #	Score	Medal
Baileys of Glenrowan	2023	Baileys of Glenrowan Small Batch Series Organic Nero		24A 1	90.0	Silver
Unico Zelo	2023	Fresh A.F.	Riverland	24A 2	91.0	Silver
Serafino Wines	2023	Bellissimo Nero d'Avola	McLaren Vale	24A 3	87.0	Bronze
Berg Herring	2023	Nero d'Avola	McLaren Vale	24A 4	95.0	Gold
Paper Mache	2023	Nero d'Avola	Riverland	24A 5	90.0	Silver
SHERRAH Wines	2023	Nero d'Avola	McLaren Vale	24A 6	91.0	Silver
Coriole	2023	Nero	McLaren Vale	24A 7	88.0	Bronze
Seppeltsfield Wines	2023	Barossa Nero D'Avola	Barossa Valley	24A 8	96.0	Gold
Ricca Terra	2023	Nero d'Avola	Riverland	24A 9	90.0	Silver

Class 24A Comments:

quality bracket . Wines showed good freshness and detail .

Class 24B: Nero d'Avola 2022 and older

				Class #	Score	Medal
Trentham Estate	2020	The Family Nero D'Avola	Murray Darling NSW	24B 1	84.0	
Vigna Bottin	2021	Nero d'Avola	McLaren Vale	24B 2	88.0	Bronze
Innocent Bystander	2022	Nero d'Avola	North West Victoria	24B 3	88.0	Bronze
Chalk Hill	2022	Small Batch Release	McLaren Vale	24B 4	96.0	Gold
Cosa Nostra	2020	'Il Capo'	Heathcote	24B 5	0.0	Not Received
S.C.Pannell	2022	Nero Diavola	McLaren Vale	24B 6	88.0	Bronze
Loverman	2022	Nero d'Avola	Adelaide Hills	24B 7	84.5	
Dalfarras	2022	Nero d'Avola	North West Victoria	24B 8	93.0	Silver
Berg Herring	2022	Nero d'Avola - Sellicks Hill	McLaren Vale	24B 9	85.5	Bronze
Unico Zelo	2022	Halcyon Days	Riverland	24B 10	81.0	
Hugo Wines	2022	Nero d'Avola	McLaren Vale	24B 11	92.5	Silver
Kangarilla Road	2021	Nero d'Avola	Riverland	24B 12	86.0	Bronze
Gibson Discovery Road	2022	Nero D'Avola	Barossa	24B 13	95.0	Gold



d'Arenberg	2021	The Danger Mouse Nero d'Avola	McLaren Vale	24B	14	87.5	Bronze
Maxwell Wines	2022	Nero d'Avola	McLaren Vale	24B	15	81.0	
1164	2022	Nero d'Avola	Big Rivers	24B	16	84.5	
Ricca Terra	2022	Nero d'Avola	Riverland	24B	17	84.5	
O'Leary Walker Wines	2022	Nero d'Avola	Clare Valley	24B	18	84.5	
CS Wine Co	2021	CS Wine Co Nero D'Avola	Heathcote	24B	19	82.5	
Arla Gardens	2022	Gardens of Moppa	Barossa Valley	24B	20	80.5	
Zerella Wines	2022	La Gita	McLaren Vale	24B	21	86.0	Bronze
Pietro Wines	2022	Nero100%	Currency Creek	24B	22	87.0	Bronze
SØUTH WINES	2022	Nero d'Avola	Fleurieu	24B	23	90.5	Silver
Signor Vino	2022	Single Vineyard	Riverina	24B	24	83.5	
Tumblong Hills	2022	Table Of Plenty Nero d'Avola	Gundagai	24B	25	92.0	Silver
Collector	2022	Firebird Nero d'Avola	Gundagai	24B	26	86.5	Bronze
Vino Intrepido	2022	Nero's Fiddle Nero d'Avola	Murray Darling Vic	24B	27	84.0	
Chalmers	2022	Nero d'Avola	Heathcote	24B	28	89.5	Bronze

Class 24B Comments:

A class of wild stylistic fluctuations, perhaps indicative of the Nero journey in Australia. The best wines are fragrant, supple and fine grained.

Class 25: Other red Italian varietal wines (min. 85% single variety)

				Class #	Score	Medal	
Wangolina	2022	A-Series Lagrein	Limestone Coast	25	1	85.0	Bronze
1164	2022	Lagrein	Big Rivers	25	2	85.0	Bronze
Hand Crafted by Geoff Hardy	2021	Lagrein	Limestone Coast	25	3	87.5	Bronze
Vino Volta	2022	Love Sick Puppy	Geographe	25	4	91.0	Silver
Vineyard 28	2023	Dolcetto	Geographe	25	5	95.0	Gold
Heartland	2022	Dolcetto	Langhorne Creek	25	6	88.0	Bronze
... ISH	2019	Dolcetto	King Valley	25	7	82.0	
Billy Button	2021	'The Renegade' Refosco	Alpine Valleys	25	8	87.5	Bronze
MDI wines	2022	Refosco	Murray Darling NSW	25	9	0.0	Not Received
Billy Button	2022	'The Renegade' Refosco	Alpine Valleys	25	10	92.0	Silver
Chalmers	2021	Bush Vine Negroamaro	Murray Darling Vic	25	11	83.5	
Coriole	2023	Negroamaro	McLaren Vale	25	12	93.5	Silver
Paper Mache	2021	Negroamaro	Riverland	25	13	90.0	Silver
SOUMAH	2022	Hexham Vineyard Marzemino	Yarra Valley	25	14	81.5	



Michellini	2022	Teroldego	Alpine Valleys	25	15	87.5	Bronze
Dott.	2022	Pavana	Heathcote	25	16	84.5	
Billy Button	2022	'The Clandestine' Schioppettino	Alpine Valleys	25	17	92.0	Silver
Chalmers	2022	Piedirosso	Heathcote	25	18	85.5	Bronze
Silent Noise	2023	Uva di Troia	Riverland	25	19	87.5	Bronze
Stefano Docket Label	2022	Piedirosso	Murray Darling Vic	25	20	82.5	

Class 25 Comments:

The proverbial mixed bag, a class of intrigue and interest with the occasional stumble into disappointment. But this is the kind of class that makes this show so important. Stars of the future will find a home, the great ones will pull others along and we look forward to a time when some of the varieties here graduate to classes of their own.

Class 26A: Tempranillo - 2022 and younger

				Class #	Score	Medal
Peter Lehmann Wines	2022	The Barossan	Barossa Valley	26A 1	95.0	Gold
Linear Wines	2022	Tempranillo	Hilltops	26A 2	88.0	Bronze
Angullong	2022	Fossil Hill	Orange	26A 3	89.0	Bronze
Taylor's Wines	2022	Estate Tempranillo	McLaren Vale	26A 4	89.0	Bronze
Franca's Vineyard	2023	Tempranillo	Riverland	26A 5	90.5	Silver
Billy Button	2022	'The Alluring' Tempranillo	Alpine Valleys	26A 6	84.0	
Larnook	2022	Tempranillo	McLaren Vale	26A 7	83.5	
Ferngrove	2022	Independence Tempranillo	Frankland River	26A 8	87.0	Bronze
Pindarie	2022	Risk Taker Tempranillo	Barossa Valley	26A 10	85.0	Bronze
Rusty Mutt	2022	Conejo Joven	McLaren Vale	26A 11	95.0	Gold
Mockingbird Hill	2022	Dr JWD Bain Clare Valley Tempranillo	Clare Valley	26A 12	91.0	Silver
Wangolina	2022	A-Series Tempranillo	Limestone Coast	26A 13	89.0	Bronze
Rutherglen Estate	2022	Tempranillo	Rutherglen	26A 14	88.0	Bronze
Serafino Wines	2023	Bellissimo Tempranillo	McLaren Vale	26A 15	89.0	Bronze
Willunga 100	2022	McLaren Vale Tempranillo	McLaren Vale	26A 16	87.0	Bronze
Artwine	2022	Hola	Clare Valley	26A 17	84.0	
Mount Majura Vineyard	2022	Tempranillo	Canberra District	26A 18	88.0	Bronze
Green Door	2022	Amphora Tempranillo	Geographe	26A 19	89.0	Bronze
Storm King Wine Co	2022	Tempranillo	Granite Belt	26A 20	89.5	Bronze
Farmer & The Scientist	2022	Tempranillo	Heathcote	26A 21	90.5	Silver
Hungerford Hill	2022	Tempranillo	Hilltops	26A 22	87.5	Bronze
Valley Selection	2022	Tempranillo	King Valley	26A 23	84.0	
Nepenthe	2022	Elevation Tempranillo	Adelaide Hills	26A 24	84.0	



Mr Mick	2022	Tempranillo	Clare Valley	26A	25	92.0	Silver
Ros Ritchie Wines	2022	Sandy Creek Vineyard	Upper Goulburn	26A	26	84.5	
St Aidan	2022	Tempranillo	Geographe	26A	27	83.5	
Ravensworth	2022	Tinto	Hilltops	26A	28	86.5	Bronze
Hugo Wines	2022	Tempranillo	McLaren Vale	26A	29	84.0	
Mercer Wines	2022	Tempranillo	Hilltops	26A	30	96.0	Gold
Oliver's Taranga Vineyards	2023	Tempranillo	McLaren Vale	26A	31	90.0	Silver
Glandore	2022	White Label	Hilltops	26A	32	92.0	Silver
Gemtree Wines	2022	Luna Temprana Tempranillo	McLaren Vale	26A	33	95.0	Gold
S.C.Pannell	2022	Dead End Tempranillo	McLaren Vale	26A	34	84.0	
Brown Brothers	2022	Origins Series Tempranillo	Heathcote	26A	35	0.0	Withdrawn
Red Knot	2022	Classified McLaren Vale Tempranillo	McLaren Vale	26A	36	85.5	Bronze
Golden Grove Estate	2022	Joven Tempranillo	Granite Belt	26A	37	87.0	Bronze
Heirloom	2022	Adelaide Hills Tempranillo	Adelaide Hills	26A	38	84.5	
Brokenwood wines	2023	Tempranillo	Beechworth	26A	39	83.5	
Paxton Wines	2022	Tempranillo	McLaren Vale	26A	40	84.0	
Mudgee Ridge Estate	2022	Tempranillo	Mudgee	26A	41	84.5	
Mr. Riggs Wine Co.	2022	Yacca Paddock Tempranillo	Adelaide Hills	26A	42	83.5	
La Linea	2022	Tempranillo	Adelaide Hills	26A	43	90.0	Silver
Main & Cherry	2022	Tempranillo	McLaren Vale	26A	44	86.5	Bronze
Serafino Wines	2022	Bellissimo Tempranillo	McLaren Vale	26A	45	83.0	
Anderson & Marsh	2022	Parell Tempranillo	Alpine Valleys	26A	46	89.0	Bronze
Hedonist Wines	2022	Tempranillo	McLaren Vale	26A	47	87.0	Bronze
K1 Wines	2022	Tempranillo	Adelaide Hills	26A	48	92.0	Silver
Calabria Family Wines	2022	Kings Of Prohibition Tempranillo	Gundagai	26A	49	0.0	Not Received

Class 26A Comments:

Interesting bracket of wines across regions. Many medium bodied wines, displaying subtle varietal characters, and not overly extracted. Good use of oak handling. Best wines displayed fruit intensity, balance and structure without overt tannin.

Class 26B: Tempranillo - 2021 and older

				Class #	Score	Medal	
Tonon Vineyard & Winery	2021	Xavier Tempranillo	Perth Hills	26B	1	83.5	
Re-write the Rules	2020	Tempranillo	Heathcote	26B	2	84.5	
Grove Estate	2021	Hilltops Tempranillo	Hilltops	26B	3	90.5	Silver
Mudgee Ridge Estate	2021	Tempranillo	Mudgee	26B	4	86.5	Bronze



Willunga 100	2021	Adelaide Hills Tempranillo	Adelaide Hills	26B	5	95.0	Gold
Fighting Gully Road	2019	Beechworth Tempranillo	Beechworth	26B	6	84.0	
Gill Wine Estate Pty Ltd	2021	Rivah Tempranillo	Murray Darling Vic	26B	7	87.0	Bronze
Cavedon	2021	Tempranillo	King Valley	26B	8	84.5	
Glandore	2021	TPR	Hilltops	26B	9	83.5	
Weathercraft	2021	Reserve Tempranillo	Beechworth	26B	10	86.5	Bronze
Trentham Estate	2021	Cellar Reserve Tempranillo	Murray Darling Vic	26B	11	83.5	
Running With Bulls	2021	Barossa Tempranillo	Barossa	26B	12	91.0	Silver
Peter Lehmann Wines	2021	Hill and Valley	Barossa Valley	26B	13	93.5	Silver
S.C.Pannell	2021	Dead End Tempranillo	McLaren Vale	26B	14	89.0	Bronze
Anderson & Marsh	2021	Parell Tempranillo	Alpine Valleys	26B	15	84.0	
La Linea	2021	'Sureno' Tempranillo	Adelaide Hills	26B	16	86.0	Bronze

Class 26B Comments:

A little uninspiring to be honest. Too many wine smudged by ripeness or bullied by oak. Some just dying a slow and unmourned death. The top wine is a paragon of virtue, vibrant, supple, balanced and fresh.

Class 27: Mataro / Mourvedre / Monastrell

				Class #	Score	Medal	
Paxton Wines	2021	Mataro	McLaren Vale	27	1	85.0	Bronze
Calabria Family Wines	2021	3 Bridges Mourvedre	Barossa Valley	27	2	0.0	Not Received
Dandelion Vineyards	2022	March Hare of the Barossa Mataro	Barossa	27	3	0.0	Not Received
bakkheia wine	2021	United and Undaunted		27	4	84.0	
Chapel Hill	2021	The MV Range McLaren Vale Mourvedre	McLaren Vale	27	5	87.0	Bronze
Wines of Merritt	2022	Wilyabrup Mourvèdre	Margaret River	27	6	87.0	Bronze
Langmeil Winery	2021	Resurrection Mataro	Barossa Valley	27	7	84.0	
Alejandro	2022	Monastrell	Riverland	27	8	83.0	
RedHeads	2021	Mataro	Barossa Valley	27	9	85.0	Bronze
Saltfleet	2022	Mataro	McLaren Vale	27	10	90.0	Silver
Fowles Wine	2021	Stone Dwellers	Strathbogie Ranges	27	11	85.0	Bronze
Hither & Yon	2021	Mataro	McLaren Vale	27	12	85.0	Bronze
Bondar Wines	2022	Monastrell	McLaren Vale	27	13	95.0	Gold

Class 27 Comments:

variety with potential , a bright expression sits at the top , many wines show a degree of extraction that is distracting



Class 28: Graciano

				Class #	Score	Medal
Mazza	2020	Graciano	Geographe	28 1	83.5	
bakkheia wine	2021	The Groszman	Geographe	28 2	83.5	
Artwine	2022	The Grace	Clare Valley	28 3	95.0	Gold
Chalk Hill	2022	Small Batch Release Graciano	McLaren Vale	28 4	96.0	Gold
Black & Ginger	2021	La Gringa	Great Western	28 5	84.5	
Mount Majura Vineyard	2022	Graciano	Canberra District	28 6	90.0	Silver
Paxton Wines	2022	Graciano	McLaren Vale	28 7	95.0	Gold

Class 28 Comments:

Exciting to taste 2 different styles that performed extremely well. Strong class, and top wines displayed fruit intensity, and we hope to see more in the future!

Class 29: Mencia

				Class #	Score	Medal
Oliver's Taranga Vineyards	2023	Mencia	McLaren Vale	29 1	96.0	Gold
d'Arenberg	2021	The Anthropocene Epoch	McLaren Vale	29 2	84.0	
La Linea	2021	Mencia	Adelaide Hills	29 3	84.5	
Wangolina	2022	A-Series Mencia	Limestone Coast	29 4	84.0	
Laissez Faire	2022	Frankland River	Frankland River	29 5	86.5	Bronze
Ministry of Clouds	2022	Mencia	McLaren Vale	29 6	95.0	Gold
La Linea	2022	Mencia	Adelaide Hills	29 7	88.0	Bronze
Varney Wines	2023	Mencia	McLaren Vale	29 8	82.5	
Nepenthe	2022	Pinnacle Mencia	Adelaide Hills	29 9	84.5	

Class 29 Comments:

A couple wines displaying fragrance and energy however too many requiring more attention to management as vibrancy and fruit depth was lacking.

Class 30: Touriga Nacional

				Class #	Score	Medal
Saltfleet	2021	Touriga Nacional	McLaren Vale	30 1	83.0	
First Drop Wines	2022	Nacional McLaren Vale Touriga Nacional	McLaren Vale	30 2	83.0	
RedHeads	2022	Touriga	Barossa Valley	30 3	86.0	Bronze
Heirloom Vineyards	2022	McLaren Vale Touriga	McLaren Vale	30 4	88.0	Bronze



Battle of Bosworth	2023	Exile	McLaren Vale	30	5	90.0	Silver
S.C.Pannell	2021	National Touriga	McLaren Vale	30	6	85.0	Bronze
Berg Herring	2021	Touriga	McLaren Vale	30	7	87.0	Bronze
Mazza	2019	Touriga Nacional	Geographe	30	8	83.0	
Vinoque	2022	Novo Tinto Touriga Nacional	Heathcote	30	9	86.0	Bronze

Class 30 Comments:

a variety that shows exuberance and alcohol , if this can be tamed the result will be more approachable wine.

Class 31: Malbec

				Class #	Score	Medal	
Big Easy Radio	2020	Forget Babylon	McLaren Vale	31	1	83.0	
Angullong	2022	Fossil Hill	Orange	31	2	88.0	Bronze
Stonehaven	2022	Stepping Stone Malbec	Limestone Coast	31	3	92.0	Silver
Gill Wine Estate Pty Ltd	2021	Rivah Malbec	Murray Darling Vic	31	4	87.0	Bronze
Jim Barry	2021	Barry and Sons Malbec	Clare Valley	31	5	92.0	Silver
Knappstein Wines	2021	Malbec	Clare Valley	31	6	84.0	
Hither & Yon	2022	Malbec	McLaren Vale	31	7	83.0	
Taylor's Wines	2022	Taylor Made Malbec	Clare Valley	31	8	86.0	Bronze
Ferngrove	2021	King Malbec	Frankland River	31	9	84.0	
Andrew Peace Wines	2022	Empress Malbec	Wrattonbully	31	10	87.0	Bronze
Glandore	2022	White Label	Hilltops	31	11	86.0	Bronze
Mercer Wines	2022	Malbec	Hilltops	31	12	87.0	Bronze
Reschke	2022	R-Series Malbec	Limestone Coast	31	13	87.0	Bronze
Bleasdale Vineyards	2022	Second Innings Malbec	Langhorne Creek	31	14	83.0	
Hungerford Hill	2022	Malbec	Hilltops	31	15	96.0	Gold
Skillogalee Estate	2022	Skillogalee Small Batch Malbec	Clare Valley	31	16	92.0	Silver
Eldredge	2019	Reserve Malbec	Clare Valley	31	17	80.0	
Jim Barry	2021	Expressions Malbec	Clare Valley	31	18	95.0	Gold
The Ethereal One	2022	Fleurieu Malbec	Fleurieu	31	19	83.0	
Ferngrove	2022	Black label Malbec	Great Southern	31	20	80.0	
Obsessionist	2021	Obsessionist	Tasmania	31	21	84.0	
Mockingbird Hill	2021	DR JWD Bain Clare Valley Malbec	Clare Valley	31	22	88.0	Bronze
Saverio	2022	Malbec	Big Rivers	31	23	89.0	Bronze



Class 31 Comments:

a delightful class with many top wines to consider for the medals. Great examples of well handled fruit expression, tannin and acidity with balance, expression and liveliness. Lesser wines showed technical faults or heavy, drying extraction.

Class 32: Cabernet Franc

				Class #	Score	Medal
Laissez Faire	2021	Margaret River Cabernet Franc	Margaret River	32 1	83.5	
Altitude	2021	Cabernet Franc	Eden Valley	32 2	87.5	Bronze
Vine Guy Wine Guy	2022	Cabernet Franc	Macedon Ranges	32 3	83.0	
Wines by KT	2022	Pearson	Clare Valley	32 4	85.5	Bronze
Penley	2022	Francis	Coonawarra	32 5	88.0	Bronze
Tahbilk	2021	Cabernet Franc	Nagambie Lakes	32 6	86.5	Bronze
Penley	2023	Francis	Coonawarra	32 7	91.5	Silver
ZEIN ESTATE	2022	Cabernet Franc Single Vineyard 2022	Geographe	32 8	84.5	
Chapel Hill	2022	Escape Room McLaren Vale Cabernet Franc	McLaren Vale	32 9	90.0	Silver
Skillogalee Estate	2022	Skillogalee Small Batch Cabernet Franc	Clare Valley	32 10	95.0	Gold
Artwine	2022	Pack Leader	Clare Valley	32 11	86.0	Bronze
Bleasdale Vineyards	2023	Cabernet Franc	Langhorne Creek	32 12	91.5	Silver
Tallagandra Hill	2021	Mac's Block	Canberra District	32 13	88.0	Bronze

Class 32 Comments:

A roller coaster class delivering an eclectic collection of riffs on a Franc theme. The best wines are bright, detailed and alert, with fruit vibrancy and fine etching. The less successful wines are often those that push ripeness and lack sensitivity when thinking about oak.

Class 33: Gamay

				Class #	Score	Medal
See Saw Organic Wine	2022	Invergo Gamay	Orange	33 1	91.0	Silver
John Gehrig Wines	2019	Gamay	King Valley	33 2	83.5	
Ministry of Clouds	2022	Gamay	Adelaide Hills	33 3	89.0	Bronze
RedHeads	2023	Blue Belle Gamay	Adelaide Hills	33 4	0.0	Not Received
PHI	2022	Gamay	Yarra Valley	33 5	91.0	Silver
Sapling Yard	2022	Gamay	Tumbarumba	33 6	85.0	Bronze
Artwine	2022	Smiling	Adelaide Hills	33 7	91.0	Silver
Lingo	2022	Adelaide Hills Gamay	Adelaide Hills	33 8	95.0	Gold
XO Wine Co	2023	Gamay	Adelaide Hills	33 9	93.0	Silver



Class 33 Comments:

A delightful and energetic class to judge. Wonderful expression of fruit and different styles with fruit expression paramount. The top wine shows wonderful poise, balance, expression and drinkability. Some wonderful examples of bunch were discussed but didn't quite have it all together to get further. Well made wines that were delicious.

Class 34: Zinfandel / Primitivo

				Class #	Score	Medal
Kangarilla Road	2020	Primitivo	McLaren Vale	34 1	84.0	
By Fabiano	2022	Primitivo Naturale	McLaren Vale	34 2	93.0	Silver
Purple Hands Wines	2021	After Five Wine Co. Primitivo	Barossa Valley	34 3	91.0	Silver
Nugan Estate	2020	Single Vineyard Zinfandel	McLaren Vale	34 4	87.0	Bronze
Smallwater Estate	2022	Zinfandel	Geographe	34 5	95.0	Gold
Kangarilla Road	2021	Black St Peters Zinfandel	McLaren Vale	34 6	84.0	
Nepenthe	2022	Pinnacle Primitivo	Adelaide Hills	34 7	87.0	Bronze
Coughlan Estate	2022	Zinfandel	Geographe	34 8	92.0	Silver
By Fabiano	2021	Primitivo	McLaren Vale	34 9	75.0	
Box Grove Vineyard	2018	Primitivo	Goulburn Valley	34 10	84.0	
Altitude	2020	Primitivo	Eden Valley	34 11	83.0	

Class 34 Comments:

two great wines in this class. The top wine showed a judicious handling of fruit, tannin, acidity and oak. Lesser wines were out of balance or technically faulty. Lots of big, unbridled fruit which made them tough.

Class 35: Saperavi

				Class #	Score	Medal
Ballandean Estate Wines	2022	Small Batch Saperavi	Granite Belt	35 1	87.0	Bronze
Arla Gardens	2022	Gardens of Moppa	Barossa Valley	35 2	95.0	Gold
LINO RAMBLE	2022	SIMON SAYS	McLaren Vale	35 3	87.0	Bronze
La Cantina King Valley	2022	Saperavi	King Valley	35 4	87.0	Bronze
Billy Button	2021	'The Squid' Saperavi	Alpine Valleys	35 5	86.5	Bronze
Hugh Hamilton Wines	2020	The Oddball	McLaren Vale	35 6	86.5	Bronze
Alejandro	2021	Saperavi	Murray Darling NSW	35 7	88.0	Bronze
Alejandro	2020	Saperavi	Murray Darling NSW	35 8	85.0	Bronze
Ridgemill este	2021	WYP	Granite Belt	35 9	86.0	Bronze
Ballerina Canopy	2021	Saperavi	Alpine Valleys	35 10	88.0	Bronze



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Class 35 Comments:

top wine was both varietal and energetic , a delicious example . A number off wines werre a little chunky and unbalanced . A veriety with potential

Class 36: Other red varietal wines (not Italian; min. 85% single variety)

				Class #	Score	Medal
Water Wheel	2022	Petit Verdot	Bendigo	36 1	83.5	
Monak Wine Co	2021	Mon Cinq Petit Verdot	Murray Darling Vic	36 2	84.5	
Jester Hill Wines	2018	Touchstone Petit Verdot	Granite Belt	36 3	84.5	
Geddes Wines	2021	Seldom Inn Petit Verdot	McLaren Vale	36 4	86.0	Bronze
Hand Crafted by Geoff Hardy	2021	Tannat	Adelaide Hills	36 5	84.5	
John Gehrig Wines	2021	Pinot Meunier	King Valley	36 6	83.0	
Mount Majura Vineyard	2022	Mondeuse	Canberra District	36 7	83.5	
Ros Ritchie Wines	2022	Spring's Vineyard	Upper Goulburn	36 8	87.0	Bronze
The Cutting	2023	The Outlier Cinsault	Barossa Valley	36 9	85.5	Bronze
Wangolina	2021	A-Series Carmenère	Limestone Coast	36 10	83.0	
Forester Estate	2020	Jack out the Box Fer	Margaret River	36 11	84.0	
Hahndorf Hill	2021	Zsa Zsa Zweigelt	Adelaide Hills	36 12	92.0	Silver
Andrew Peace Wines	2020	Zweigelt	Swan Hill	36 13	86.0	Bronze
Hahndorf Hill	2020	Blueblood	Adelaide Hills	36 14	83.5	
Hither & Yon	2022	Carignan	McLaren Vale	36 15	83.5	
Geddes Wines	2022	Seldom Inn Carignan	McLaren Vale	36 16	85.0	Bronze
Monak Wine Co	2022	Moniacal Roja Fria	Murray Darling NSW	36 17	83.5	
O'Leary Walker Wines	2022	Pinotage	Clare Valley	36 18	90.0	Silver
Lokum	2021	bogazkere		36 19	82.5	
Hahndorf Hill	2021	The Foundling	Adelaide Hills	36 20	84.0	
Stappa	2023	Tinta Amarela	Riverland	36 21	0.0	Not Received

Class 36 Comments:

Some interesting wines, however, too many were simply made and lacking fruit definition. Top wines expressed depth and interest.



Class 37A: Red Blends - 2022 and younger

			Class #	Score	Medal
Ancient Soils	2022	Tempranillo Touriga	37A 1	91.0	Silver
Brown Brothers	2022	Winemaker's Series Tempranillo Graciano	37A 2	93.0	Silver
Dalwood Estate	2022	Tempranillo Touriga	37A 3	85.0	Bronze
Pindarie	2022	T.S.S Blend	37A 4	84.0	
Nikola Estate	2022	The Symbolist	37A 5	88.0	Bronze
Hungerford Hill	2022	Tempranillo Graciano	37A 6	93.0	Silver
Ricca Terra	2022	Bullets Before Cannonballs	37A 7	86.0	Bronze
S.C.Pannell	2022	Tempranillo Touriga	37A 8	84.0	
Yarra Yering	2022	Dry Red Wine No. 3	37A 9	89.0	Bronze
Seppeltsfield Wines	2022	No. EC3 Barossa Touriga, Tinta Cao, Tinta Amarela	37A 10	95.0	Gold
Hither & Yon	2022	Touriga Tempranillo	37A 11	86.0	Bronze
Battle of Bosworth	2023	Heretic	37A 12	96.0	Gold
Calabria Family Wines	2022	Alternato Montepulciano Nero D'Avola	37A 13	0.0	Not Received
Langmeil Winey	2022	Massimo Montepulciano Primitivo	37A 14	89.0	Bronze
Nikola Estate	2022	The Surrealist	37A 15	75.0	
Corang Estate	2022	El Tinto	37A 16	83.0	
Oliver's Taranga Vineyards	2023	Brionis Blend	37A 17	95.0	Gold
Grove Estate	2022	The Italian	37A 18	91.0	Silver
Chaffey Bros. Wine Co	2022	La Conquista Tempranillo Graciano Grenache	37A 19	86.0	Bronze
Montevecchio	2022	Rosso	37A 20	86.0	Bronze

Class 37A Comments:

Great to see exciting expressions of blends here. Well handled fruit, great tannin and acidity balance. The top wines showed great fruit expression and well balanced wines. Lesser wines were over extracted or dead fruited or unbalanced with alcohol or tannin.

Class 37B: Red blends - 2021 and older

			Class #	Score	Medal
Almondcart Wines	2021	MGT	37B 1	86.5	Bronze
Almondcart Woines	2021	El Dos	37B 2	92.5	Silver
Black & Ginger	2021	Cinco Rojas	37B 3	84.5	
Bremerton	2021	Special Release Tempranillo/Graciano	37B 4	95.0	Gold
Koomilya	2019	Tempranillo Touriga	37B 5	83.0	
S.C.Pannell	2021	Tempranillo Touriga	37B 6	87.5	Bronze
David Hook Wines	2021	De Novo Rosso	37B 7	89.5	Bronze
Colab and Bloom	2021	Rosso	37B 8	82.5	



Purple Hands Wines	2021	Colours of the South Rosso	Barossa Valley	37B	9	93.0	Silver
Big Easy Radio	2020	Funtime Fountain	McLaren Vale	37B	10	96.0	Gold
Trentham Estate	2021	Cellar Reserve Petit Verdot Tannat	Murray Darling NSW	37B	11	83.0	
Trentham Estate	2020	Cellar Reserve Nero Saperavi	Murray Darling NSW	37B	12	86.5	Bronze
Hahndorf Hill	2020	Benediction	Adelaide Hills	37B	13	87.0	Bronze
Berg Herring	2021	Saperavi-Barbera	McLaren Vale	37B	14	84.5	

Class 37B Comments:

Another lucky dip. Some really exciting wines in here, some far less so. But the good ones offer compelling new pathways, exciting new options and a bold new world of deliciousness.

Class 38: Sweet style wines

				Class #	Score	Medal	
Trentham Estate	2016	Reserve Noble Taminga	Murray Darling NSW	38	1	96.0	Gold
Yalumba Wines	2023	Yalumba FSW Botrytis Viognier	Wrattonbully	38	2	86.5	Bronze
SOUMAH	2020	Hexham Vineyard Botrytis Viognier	Yarra Valley	38	3	86.0	Bronze
Chalmers	2021	Appassimento	Heathcote	38	4	87.5	Bronze
Cherubino	2018	The Yard Cane Cut Gewurztraminer	Pemberton	38	5	95.0	Gold
SOUMAH	2021	Hexham Vineyard Brachetto Tranquillo	Yarra Valley	38	6	83.5	
Lark Hill Winery	2021	'Exaltation' Botrytised Roussanne	Canberra District	38	7	87.5	Bronze

Class 38 Comments:

Top wines have balance with sweetness, acidity and bitterness. These wines have great complexity and a pleasure to judge.

Class 39: Fortified wines

				Class #	Score	Medal	
Calabria Family Wines	2022	McWilliams Hanwood Estate Reserve Ruby Vintage 2022	Riverina	39	1	0.0	Not Received
De Bortoli	2022	Vintage Touriga Nacional	Heathcote	39	2	0.0	Not Received
Mazza	2018	Touriga Nacional Bastardo	Geographe	39	3	90.5	Silver
Peter Lehmann Wines	2020	The King Vintage Port	Barossa Valley	39	4	90.5	Silver
Almondcart Wines	2021	Fortified Vintage Red	Adelaide Hills	39	5	82.0	
Calabria Family Wines	NV	McWilliams Wines Hanwood Estate Rare Topaque, 20	Riverina	39	6	0.0	Not Received
Monak Wine Co	2021	Forubi	Murray Darling NSW	39	7	82.0	

Class 39 Comments:

Some issues around freshness.



Class 40: Wines of Provenance

					Class #	Score	Medal
Mazza	NV	Tempranillo	Geographe	40	1	83.0	
Chalmers	NV	Fiano	Heathcote	40	2	96.0	Gold
Billy Button	NV	'The Versatile' Vermentino	Alpine Valleys	40	3	91.0	Silver
Topper's Mountain	NV	Gewurztraminer	New England Australia	40	4	92.0	Silver
Box Grove Vineyard	NV	Roussanne	Goulburn Valley	40	5	93.0	Silver

Class 40 Comments:

What an exciting class to judge! A demonstration of the potential of these varieties to age, to provide interest, colour and dynamism to Australian cellars. Clearly demonstrated that these varieties have found a home here, and producers have a clear vision for their wines. The judges unanimously would like to see this class grow in future shows.