



Class 1: Sparkling wine

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|----------------------------|------|--|-----------------------|---------|-------|--------|
| Oliver's Taranga Vineyards | 2020 | The Hunt for Mrs Oliver Methode Traditionnelle Fiano | McLaren Vale | 1 1 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Irvine Wines The Baroness | 2019 | Petit Meslier | Eden Valley | 1 2 | 83.5 | |
| Artwine | NV | La Dolca Vita | Clare Valley | 1 3 | 82.0 | |
| Quealy | 2022 | Splendido | Mornington Peninsula | 1 4 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Trentham Estate | 2024 | The Family Frizzante Maestri | Murray Darling NSW | 1 5 | 83.5 | |
| Vino Intrepido | 2022 | Inherited Trait | Murray Darling Vic | 1 6 | 78.5 | |
| Blood Moon Wines | 2024 | Rise Rosé Pétillant Naturel | Murray Darling Vic | 1 7 | 81.5 | |
| De Bortoli | NV | Nebbiolo Fizz | Yarra Valley | 1 8 | 84.0 | |
| Yayoi Wines | 2022 | Par Hasard | Murray Darling NSW | 1 9 | 84.0 | |
| Chalmers | 2022 | Felicitas | Heathcote | 1 10 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Topper's Mountain | 2021 | Nebbiolo Extra Brut Rose | New England Australia | 1 11 | 82.0 | |
| Ballerina Canopy | NV | Sparkling Saperavi | King Valley | 1 12 | 83.5 | |

Class 1 Comments:

Wines too sweet and out of balance. Served as an aperitif, so should be balanced. Too many wines too phenolic and lacking vibrancy.

Class 2: Arneis

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|----------------------------|------|--|--------------------|---------|-------|--------|
| Rutherglen Estate | 2024 | Arneis | Rutherglen | 2 1 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Santolin Wines Cosa Nostra | 2023 | Arneis | Yarra Valley | 2 2 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Chalk Hill | 2024 | Small Batch Release Arneis | Adelaide Hills | 2 3 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Billy Button | 2023 | 'The Little Rascal' Arneis | Alpine Valleys | 2 4 | 84.0 | |
| Nikola Estate | 2023 | The Gallery Range " The Impressionist" | Geographe | 2 5 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Symphonia | 2023 | Arneis | King Valley | 2 6 | 95.0 | Gold |
| McGuigan Wines | 2024 | Mastercraft Arneis | Adelaide Hills | 2 7 | 83.0 | |
| Patch Wines | 2024 | Nebbiolo Bianco (Arneis) | Yarra Valley | 2 8 | 84.0 | |
| Nepenthe | 2023 | Pinnacle Arneis | Adelaide Hills | 2 9 | 93.0 | Silver |
| First Drop Wines | 2024 | Vivo Adelaide Hills Arneis | Adelaide Hills | 2 10 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Stone Dwellers | 2023 | Arneis | Strathbogie Ranges | 2 11 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Centennial Vineyards | 2024 | Reserve Southern Highlands Arneis | Southern Highlands | 2 12 | 86.0 | Bronze |

Class 2 Comments:

Best wines showed vibrancy, lifted varietal aromatics and freshness balanced by lovely textural interest and chew. Overt oak on some wines detracted from freshness.



Class 3A: Vermentino - 2024

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|---------------------------------|------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|---------|-------|-----------|
| Lake Breeze Wines | 2024 | Vermentino | Langhorne Creek | 3A 1 | 91.0 | Silver |
| Golden Grove Estate | 2024 | Vermentino | Granite Belt | 3A 2 | 89.0 | Bronze |
| Chalk Hill | 2024 | Vermentino | McLaren Vale | 3A 3 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Bremerton | 2024 | Special Release Vermentino | Langhorne Creek | 3A 4 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Trentham Estate | 2024 | The Family Vermentino | Murray Darling NSW | 3A 5 | 88.5 | Bronze |
| Cleanskin No. 52 | 2024 | Fleurieu Vermentino | Fleurieu | 3A 6 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Wines of Merritt | 2024 | Boyup Brook Vermentino | Blackwood Valley | 3A 7 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| McGuigan Wines | 2024 | Mastercraft Vermentino | Heathcote | 3A 8 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Oliver's Taranga Vineyards | 2024 | Vermentino | McLaren Vale | 3A 9 | 82.5 | |
| Ros Ritchie Wines | 2024 | Sandy Creek Vineyard | Upper Goulburn | 3A 10 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| Berton Vineyards Alfresco Range | 2024 | Vermentino | Riverland | 3A 11 | 91.5 | Silver |
| Zonte's Footstep | 2024 | Lady Marmalade | Fleurieu | 3A 12 | 89.5 | Bronze |
| Varney Wines | 2024 | 'Entrada' Vermentino | McLaren Vale | 3A 13 | 84.5 | |
| Chalmers | 2024 | Vermentino | Heathcote | 3A 14 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| Carillion Wines | 2024 | Lovable Rogue Skin Contact Vermentino | Hunter Valley | 3A 15 | 84.5 | |
| Hastwell & Lightfoot | 2024 | Vermentino | McLaren Vale | 3A 16 | 92.0 | Silver |
| Hither & Yon | 2024 | Vermentino | McLaren Vale | 3A 17 | 81.0 | |
| Metal Label | 2024 | Vermentino | Riverland | 3A 18 | 0.0 | Withdrawn |
| Tonon Vineyard & Winery | 2024 | Vermentino | Perth Hills | 3A 19 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Mallee Estate | 2024 | Kati Allo Vermentino | Riverland | 3A 20 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Seppeltsfield Wines | 2024 | Barossa Vermentino | Barossa Valley | 3A 21 | 79.0 | |

Class 3A Comments:

Some lovely fresh wines in here. Picking dates felt crucial for fruit balance and maintaining good acid. There were a few wines where tropical over ripe note dominated.

Class 3B: Vermentino - 2023 and older

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
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| Michellini Wines | 2022 | Vermentino | Alpine Valleys | 3B 1 | 83.5 | |
| Stone Dwellers | 2022 | Vermentino | Strathbogie Ranges | 3B 2 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Atze | 2023 | Settler's Garden | Barossa Valley | 3B 3 | 92.0 | Silver |
| Billy Button | 2023 | 'The Versatile' Vermentino | Alpine Valleys | 3B 4 | 84.0 | |
| First Ridge | 2023 | Vermentino | Mudgee | 3B 5 | 95.0 | Gold |



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| Pernod Ricard Winemakers | 2022 | Aces & Arrows Vermentino | Riverland | 3B | 6 | 84.0 | |
| Vino Intrepido | 2023 | A Pound of Flesh | King Valley | 3B | 7 | 79.0 | |
| Alles Klar | 2023 | Squeaky Cheese | Riverland | 3B | 8 | 83.5 | |
| Cappa Stone Wines | 2021 | Vermentino | Murray Darling Vic | 3B | 9 | 0.0 | Not Received |
| Black & Ginger | 2023 | The Gypsy | Alpine Valleys | 3B | 10 | 83.5 | |
| Ros Ritchie Wines | 2023 | Sandy Creek Vineyard | Upper Goulburn | 3B | 11 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Small Victories Wine Co | 2023 | Vermentino | Riverland | 3B | 12 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Ricca Terra | 2023 | Vermentino | Riverland | 3B | 13 | 96.0 | Gold |
| Altair Estate | 2023 | Vermentino | Margaret River | 3B | 14 | 84.0 | |

Class 3B Comments:

A nice group of wines, with balance and complexity rewarded. Textural interest important in top wines, along with fresh, balanced acidity.

Class 4A: Fiano - 2024

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal | |
|-----------------------------|------|-----------------------|-----------------|---------|-------|-------|--------|
| S.C.Pannell | 2024 | Fi Fi Fiano | McLaren Vale | 4A | 1 | 91.5 | Silver |
| Lingo | 2024 | McLaren Vale Fiano | McLaren Vale | 4A | 2 | 92.0 | Silver |
| Green Door | 2024 | Amphora Fiano | Geographe | 4A | 3 | 84.5 | |
| Artwine | 2024 | Wicked Stepmother | Clare Valley | 4A | 4 | 84.5 | |
| Maxwell Wines | 2024 | 2024 Maxwell Fiano | McLaren Vale | 4A | 5 | 84.0 | |
| Vigna Bottin | 2024 | Fiano | McLaren Vale | 4A | 6 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| La Prova | 2024 | Fiano | Adelaide Hills | 4A | 7 | 93.0 | Silver |
| Hungerford Hill | 2024 | Fiano | Hilltops | 4A | 8 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Hither & Yon | 2024 | Fiano | McLaren Vale | 4A | 9 | 84.0 | |
| Main & Cherry | 2024 | Fiano | Adelaide Hills | 4A | 10 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Hand Crafted by Geoff Hardy | 2024 | Fiano | Adelaide Hills | 4A | 11 | 93.0 | Silver |
| Serafino Wines | 2024 | Bellissimo Fiano | McLaren Vale | 4A | 12 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| La Cantina King Valley | 2024 | Fiano | King Valley | 4A | 13 | 82.5 | |
| Via Pola Wines | 2024 | Fiano | Riverina | 4A | 14 | 84.0 | |
| Wangolina | 2024 | A-Series Fiano | Limestone Coast | 4A | 15 | 83.5 | |
| Bremerton | 2024 | Special Release Fiano | Langhorne Creek | 4A | 16 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Chalk Hill | 2024 | Fiano | McLaren Vale | 4A | 17 | 88.5 | Bronze |
| Angove Family Winemakers | 2024 | Wild Olive Organic | McLaren Vale | 4A | 18 | 97.0 | Gold |



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| Mr. Mick | 2024 Fiano | Clare Valley | 4A | 19 | 84.5 | |
| Hastwell & Lightfoot | 2024 Fiano | McLaren Vale | 4A | 20 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| Henty View | 2024 Bambino | Geographe | 4A | 21 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Briar Ridge | 2024 Limited Release Fiano | Hunter Valley | 4A | 22 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Beresford Estate | 2024 Emblem Fiano | McLaren Vale | 4A | 23 | 84.5 | |
| Tar&Roses | 2024 Fiano | Swan Hill | 4A | 24 | 89.0 | Bronze |
| Longhop | 2024 Longhop Alluvium Fiano | Adelaide Hills | 4A | 25 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Dalwood Estate | 2024 Fiano | Hunter Valley | 4A | 26 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| One Line | 2024 Fiano | Rutherglen | 4A | 27 | 87.5 | Bronze |
| Russell and Suitor | 2024 Alejandro | Murray Darling NSW | 4A | 28 | 84.0 | |
| Sherrah Wines | 2024 Fiano | McLaren Vale | 4A | 29 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Coriole | 2024 Fiano | McLaren Vale | 4A | 30 | 91.0 | Silver |
| Hugh Hamilton Wines | 2024 The Loose Cannon | McLaren Vale | 4A | 31 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Varney Wines | 2024 Fiano | Langhorne Creek | 4A | 32 | 83.0 | |
| Billy Button | 2024 'The Honest' Fiano | Alpine Valleys | 4A | 33 | 96.0 | Gold |
| Penny's Hill | 2024 'The Abstracts' Fiano | McLaren Vale | 4A | 34 | 82.0 | |
| Berton Vineyards Alfresco Range | 2024 Fiano | Riverina | 4A | 35 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| Kangarilla Road | 2024 Fiano | Riverland | 4A | 36 | 84.0 | |
| Pizzini | 2024 Fiano | King Valley | 4A | 37 | 92.0 | Silver |
| Pikes Wines | 2024 Luccio Fiano | Clare Valley | 4A | 38 | 84.0 | |
| Duxton Vineyards | 2024 REWILD sustainably made FIANO | Murray Darling NSW | 4A | 39 | 84.0 | |
| d'Arenberg | 2024 The Sun Surfer Fiano | McLaren Vale | 4A | 40 | 83.0 | |
| Unico Zelo | 2024 Jade & Jasper | Riverland | 4A | 41 | 79.0 | |
| Gemtree Wines | 2024 Luna Crescente Fiano | McLaren Vale | 4A | 43 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Haselgrove Wines | 2024 Alternative Series Fiano | McLaren Vale | 4A | 44 | 84.0 | |
| Brindabella Hills Winery | 2024 Brindabella Hills Fiano 2024 | Hilltops | 4A | 45 | 84.0 | |
| Linear Wines | 2024 Fiano | Hilltops | 4A | 46 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| XO Wine Co | 2024 Fiano | Adelaide Hills | 4A | 47 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Richard Hamilton | 2024 'La Valle' Fiano | McLaren Vale | 4A | 48 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Saltram Wines | 2024 Winemaker's Selection Fiano | Barossa Valley | 4A | 49 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Bondar Wines | 2024 Fiano | McLaren Vale | 4A | 50 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| First Ridge | 2024 Fiano | Mudgee | 4A | 51 | 89.0 | Bronze |
| Matriarch and Rogue | 2024 Bob | Clare Valley | 4A | 52 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| Oliver's Taranga Vineyards | 2024 Fiano | McLaren Vale | 4A | 53 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Rusty Mutt | 2024 Snapdragon | McLaren Vale | 4A | 54 | 84.0 | |



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| Miss Zilm | 2023 | Miss Zilm AUBURN Fiano | Clare Valley | 4B | 27 | 87.5 | Bronze |
| La Prova | 2023 | Uno Fiano | Adelaide Hills | 4B | 28 | 86.0 | Bronze |

Class 4B Comments:

A real mixed bag- some forward, simple and developed wines, and many highlights displaying bright fresh aromas showing textural influences, mouthwatering saline acidity and a real joy to judge.

Class 5: Pecorino

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal | |
|--------------------|------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------|
| The Little Wine Co | 2024 | Pecorino | Hunter Valley | 5 | 1 | 89.0 | Bronze |
| Lake Breeze | 2024 | Pecorino | Langhorne Creek | 5 | 2 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Mitolo Wines | 2023 | Perduto Pecorino | McLaren Vale | 5 | 3 | 84.0 | |
| Beresford Estate | 2024 | Emblem 'Blewitt Springs' Pecorino | McLaren Vale | 5 | 4 | 84.0 | |
| Chalmers | 2023 | Pecorino | Heathcote | 5 | 5 | 95.0 | Gold |
| The Little Wine Co | 2024 | Little Gem Pecorino | Hunter Valley | 5 | 6 | 84.0 | |

Class 5 Comments:

A somewhat disappointing bracket. Saline and acid expressions overshadowed balanced and textural examples. Varietal expressions were subdued by yeast overtones and reduced examples.

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

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal | |
|----------------------------|------|---------------------------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Beresford Estate | 2024 | Emblem 'Blewitt Springs' Grillo | McLaren Vale | 6 | 1 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Vanden Estate | 2022 | God Help Us Grillo | Murray Darling Vic | 6 | 2 | 91.0 | Silver |
| Billy Button | 2023 | 'The Feisty' Friulano | King Valley | 6 | 3 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| MDI Wines | 2022 | Friulano Skin.Ed XI | Murray Darling Vic | 6 | 4 | 0.0 | Not Received |
| Quealy | 2022 | Turbul Friulano | Mornington Peninsula | 6 | 5 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Fighting Gully Road | 2023 | Verdicchio | Beechworth | 6 | 6 | 96.0 | Gold |
| MDI Wines | 2023 | Ribolla Gialla Skin.Ed LXXVII | Murray Darling Vic | 6 | 7 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Quealy | 2021 | Turbul Ribolla Gialla | Mornington Peninsula | 6 | 8 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Billy Button Wines | 2023 | 'The Delinquent' Verduzzo | Alpine Valleys | 6 | 9 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Chalmers | 2023 | Falanghina | Heathcote | 6 | 10 | 93.0 | Silver |
| Chalmers Project | 2023 | Falanghina | Murray Darling Vic | 6 | 11 | 83.0 | |
| Oliver's Taranga Vineyards | 2024 | Falanghina | McLaren Vale | 6 | 12 | 91.0 | Silver |



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| Chalmers | 2023 | Greco | Heathcote | 6 | 13 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Hither & Yon | 2024 | Greco | McLaren Vale | 6 | 14 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Unico Zelo | 2023 | Terra Cotta | Riverland | 6 | 15 | 84.0 | |
| Tempus Two | 2024 | Copper Ansonica | Murray Darling NSW | 6 | 16 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Tempus Two | 2023 | Copper Ansonica | Murray Darling Vic | 6 | 17 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| MDI Wines | 2023 | Picolit Skin.Ed CLXXVI | Murray Darling Vic | 6 | 18 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Quealy | 2022 | Turbul Malvasia | Mornington Peninsula | 6 | 19 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Riot Wine Co | 2023 | Loxton Contra Bianco d'Alessano | Riverland | 6 | 20 | 91.0 | Silver |
| Box Grove Vineyard | 2023 | Garganega | Nagambie Lakes | 6 | 21 | 0.0 | Not Received |
| Dal Zotto | 2023 | Garganega | North East Victoria | 6 | 22 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Darling Estate | 2023 | Darling Estate Garganega | King Valley | 6 | 23 | 92.0 | Silver |
| Politini Wines | 2024 | Grecanico | King Valley | 6 | 24 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| XO Wine Co | 2023 | Vino Bianco Cortese | Adelaide Hills | 6 | 25 | 83.0 | |

Class 6 Comments:

What a joy to judge! So many exciting wines of varying different styles, showcasing really exciting varietals. The future is bright.

Class 7A: Viognier - 2024

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|--------------|------|--------------------------|----------------|---------|-------|--------------|
| Metal Label | 2024 | Viognier | Riverina | 7A 1 | 0.0 | Not Received |
| Hidden Creek | 2024 | Viognier | Granite Belt | 7A 2 | 88.5 | Bronze |
| Tahbilk | 2024 | Viognier | Nagambie Lakes | 7A 3 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| SOUMAH | 2024 | Hexham Vineyard Viognier | Yarra Valley | 7A 4 | 85.5 | Bronze |

Class 7A Comments:

Small bracket to judge. Looking for more complexity. Wines a little fruit forward.



Class 7B: Viognier - 2023 and older

| | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|--------------------------|------|--|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Hidden Creek | 2023 | Viognier | 7B 1 | 84.5 | |
| Sutton Grange Winery | 2023 | Estate Viognier | 7B 2 | 96.0 | Gold |
| Sapling Yard | 2023 | Viognier | 7B 3 | 83.5 | |
| Artwine | 2023 | Madam V | 7B 4 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Indigo Vineyard | 2023 | Secret Village Viognier | 7B 5 | 87.5 | Bronze |
| SOUMAH | 2023 | Equilibrio Viognier | 7B 6 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| McGuigan Wines | 2023 | Mastercraft Viognier | 7B 7 | 92.0 | Silver |
| Surveyors Hill Vineyards | 2023 | Viognier 2023 | 7B 8 | 84.5 | |
| SCION | 2022 | Viognier | 7B 9 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Yalumba Wines | 2022 | Yalumba Samuel's Collection Eden Valley Viognier | 7B 10 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Water Wheel Vineyards | 2023 | Viognier | 7B 11 | 84.0 | |
| Yalumba Wines | 2022 | Yalumba The Virgilius Viognier | 7B 12 | 88.5 | Bronze |
| Ballandean Estate | 2023 | Wild Ferment Viognier | 7B 13 | 88.5 | Bronze |
| Nepenthe | 2023 | Pinnacle Viognier | 7B 14 | 88.5 | Bronze |

Class 7B Comments:

Good bracket to judge, varietal, fresher and most in balance. Different styles showing less oak.

Class 8: Marsanne

| | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|--------------------------|------|--------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| See Saw Wines | 2022 | Invergo Organic Marsanne | 8 1 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Patch Wines | 2024 | Marsanne | 8 2 | 84.0 | |
| Tahbilk | 2021 | Marsanne | 8 3 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Hidden Creek | 2024 | Marsanne | 8 4 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Tahbilk | 2023 | Marsanne | 8 5 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Tahbilk | 2019 | Marsanne | 8 6 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| Surveyors Hill Vineyards | 2023 | Marsanne Roussanne 2023 | 8 7 | 84.0 | |

Class 8 Comments:

Very happy with how the top wines of this bracket looked, lovely and fresh, with lovely balance across fruit, acid and texture.



Class 9: Pinot Blanc/Bianco

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|----------------------|------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------|-------|--------|
| Darling Estate | 2023 | Darling Estate Pinot Blanc | King Valley | 9 1 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| Centennial Vineyards | 2024 | Southern Highlands Pinot Blanc | Southern Highlands | 9 2 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| Dal Zotto | 2023 | Pinot Bianco | North East Victoria | 9 3 | 84.0 | |
| Billy Button | 2023 | 'The Demure' Pinot Blanc | Alpine Valleys | 9 4 | 89.0 | Bronze |

Class 9 Comments:

Phenolic interest and balance creating the most interesting wines. Dominance of wood not rewarded.

Class 10: Picpoul

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|-----------------------|------|-------------------------------|-------------------|---------|-------|--------|
| Lloyd Brothers | 2024 | McLaren Vale Estate Picpoul | McLaren Vale | 10 1 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| Ministry of Clouds | 2024 | Picpoul | McLaren Vale | 10 2 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| Lloyd Brothers | 2024 | Adelaide Hills Estate Picpoul | Adelaide Hills | 10 3 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Humis Vineyard | 2024 | 2024 Picpoul | Heathcote | 10 4 | 84.0 | |
| Boston Bay | 2023 | Icon Series | Southern Fleurieu | 10 5 | 80.0 | |
| Larnook | 2024 | Picpoul | McLaren Vale | 10 6 | 84.0 | |
| Saddler's Creek Wines | 2024 | Aville Piquepoul | Central Ranges | 10 7 | 80.0 | |
| Mercer Wines | 2024 | Picpoul Blanc | Central Ranges | 10 8 | 91.0 | Silver |
| Coriole | 2024 | Piquepoul | McLaren Vale | 10 9 | 84.0 | |
| Maxwell Wines | 2024 | 2024 Maxwell Picpoul | Currency Creek | 10 10 | 80.0 | |
| Harrison X Weldon | 2023 | Picpoul | McLaren Vale | 10 11 | 84.0 | |

Class 10 Comments:

A tricky class. A slight lack of definition across the class. A need for refinement and clarity across the range.

Class 11: Chenin Blanc

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|--------------------|------|------------------------|--------------|---------|-------|--------------|
| Sherrah Wines | 2024 | Chenin Blanc | McLaren Vale | 11 1 | 84.0 | |
| John Gehrig Wines | 2024 | Chenin Blanc | King Valley | 11 2 | 83.0 | |
| Andrew Peace Wines | 2020 | Chenin Blanc | Swan Hill | 11 3 | 0.0 | Not Received |
| Dune | 2024 | Athabasca Chenin Blanc | McLaren Vale | 11 4 | 84.0 | |



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| Wines of Merritt | 2023 | Metricup Chenin | Margaret River | 11 | 5 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Aphelion | 2024 | Pir Chenin Blanc | McLaren Vale | 11 | 6 | 84.0 | |
| Tumblong Hills | 2023 | Chenin Blanc | Gundagai | 11 | 7 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Yayoi Wines | 2023 | Vallée of the Kings | Swan Hill | 11 | 8 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Nikola Estate | 2023 | Nikola Estate Regional Chenin Blanc | Swan Valley | 11 | 9 | 91.0 | Silver |
| Woody Nook | 2024 | Woodcote | Margaret River | 11 | 10 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Andrew Peace Wines | 2022 | Chenin Blanc | Swan Hill | 11 | 11 | 85.0 | Bronze |

Class 11 Comments:

Overall lots of neutral plain tasting wines showing excessive residual sugar with the top awards showing more textural interest and fruit freshness.

Class 12: Other white French varietal wines (min. 85% single variety)

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal | |
|---------------------------------|------|---|----------------------|---------|-------|-------|--------|
| Symphonia | 2021 | Gros Manseng | King Valley | 12 | 1 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Symphonia | 2022 | Manseng | King Valley | 12 | 2 | 93.0 | Silver |
| Berton Vineyards Alfresco Range | 2024 | Aranel | Riverina | 12 | 3 | 89.0 | Bronze |
| Artwine | 2023 | Masterpiece | Clare Valley | 12 | 4 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| Larnook | 2024 | Grenache Gris | McLaren Vale | 12 | 5 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Darling Estate | 2023 | Darling Estate Aligoté | King Valley | 12 | 6 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| Sentio | 2024 | Aligoté | King Valley | 12 | 7 | 90.0 | Silver |
| SOUMAH | 2024 | Hexham Vineyard Savarro | Yarra Valley | 12 | 8 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| SOUMAH | NV | Wild Savagnin Solero No. 3 | Yarra Valley | 12 | 9 | 83.5 | |
| Crittenden Wines | 2019 | Cri de Coeur | Mornington Peninsula | 12 | 10 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Amato Vino | 2023 | Savagnin 'space girls' | Margaret River | 12 | 11 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Dandelion Vineyards | 2024 | Honeypot of the Barossa Roussanne | Barossa | 12 | 12 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Patch Wines | 2024 | Roussanne | Nagambie Lakes | 12 | 13 | 84.5 | |
| Yalumba Wines | 2023 | Yalumba Samuel's Collection Eden Valley Roussanne | Eden Valley | 12 | 14 | 85.5 | Bronze |

Class 12 Comments:

Very interesting bracket with so many different styles of wines. Lots of pleasure to be found here with vibrancy and acid.



Class 12A: Grenache Blanc

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|----------------------|------|-----------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Humis Vineyard | 2024 | 2024 Grenache Blanc | Heathcote | 12A 1 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Ricca Terra | 2024 | Grenache Blanc | Riverland | 12A 2 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Warrabilla Wines | 2024 | Small Batch Grenache Blanc | Rutherglen | 12A 3 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Maxwell Wines | 2024 | Maxwell Grenache Blanc | McLaren Vale | 12A 4 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Hastwell & Lightfoot | 2024 | Grenache Blanc | McLaren Vale | 12A 5 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Willunga 100 | 2024 | Grenache Blanc McLaren Vale | McLaren Vale | 12A 6 | 87.5 | Bronze |
| Vinoque | 2022 | Grenache Blanc | Heathcote | 12A 7 | 86.0 | Bronze |

Class 12A Comments:

Nothing bad, but nothing overly exciting. Nicer silver medal wines had juicy-ness and good balance with alcohol in check. Those which feel out of medals, had confected fruit.

Class 13: Albarino

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|-------------------------|------|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Wines of Merritt | 2024 | Wilyabrup Albarino | Margaret River | 13 1 | 83.0 | |
| Artwine | 2024 | The Real Thing | Adelaide Hills | 13 2 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Lingo | 2024 | South Australian Albarino | Riverland | 13 3 | 89.0 | Bronze |
| Deep Woods Estate | 2024 | Single Vineyard Albarino | Margaret River | 13 4 | 83.5 | |
| Sapling Yard | 2024 | Albarino | Hilltops | 13 5 | 82.5 | |
| Ridgemill Estate | 2024 | "La Nina" | Riverland | 13 6 | 83.5 | |
| Brown Brothers | 2022 | Limited Release Albarino | King Valley | 13 7 | 80.5 | |
| The Little Wine Company | 2024 | Albarino | Hunter Valley | 13 8 | 84.0 | |
| Pikes Wines | 2024 | Luccio Albarino | Clare Valley | 13 9 | 84.0 | |
| Mallee Estate | 2024 | Kati Allo Albarino | Riverland | 13 10 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Briar Ridge | 2024 | Limited Release Albarino | Hunter Valley | 13 11 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| La Linea | 2024 | Albarino | Adelaide Hills | 13 12 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Artwine | 2023 | Spanish Queen | Adelaide Hills | 13 13 | 83.5 | |
| High Country | 2024 | Albarino | Alpine Valleys | 13 14 | 96.0 | Gold |
| Matriarch & Rogue | 2024 | Rex Albarino | Clare Valley | 13 15 | 84.0 | |
| Nepenthe | 2023 | Pinnacle Albarino | Adelaide Hills | 13 16 | 84.0 | |
| Stanton & Killeen | 2023 | Alvarinho | Rutherglen | 13 17 | 95.0 | Gold |

Class 13 Comments:

Generally clean and bright class, though textural integrity won the day. Freshness was important.



Class 14: Arinto

| | | | Class # | | Score | Medal |
|-------------------|------|--------------------------------|--------------|------|-------|--------|
| Zilzie | 2023 | Platinum Edition | Riverland | 14 1 | 84.0 | |
| Stanton & Killeen | 2023 | Arinto | Rutherglen | 14 2 | 84.0 | |
| LINO RAMBLE | 2023 | DOT TO DOT | McLaren Vale | 14 3 | 93.0 | Silver |
| Varney Wines | 2024 | Expressions of Interest Arinto | McLaren Vale | 14 4 | 84.0 | |

Class 14 Comments:

Short and sweet, best examples were textural, balanced and good examples of warm styled white wine.

Class 15: Gewurztraminer

| | | | Class # | | Score | Medal |
|---------------------------|------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|------|-------|--------|
| Skillogalee Estate | 2024 | Skillogalee Gewurtztraminer | Clare Valley | 15 1 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Tamburlaine Organic Wines | 2024 | Point 65 Gewurztraminer | Orange | 15 2 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Chaffey Bros. Wine Co | 2024 | Bluhempunkt Gewürztraminer | Eden Valley | 15 3 | 92.0 | Silver |
| Darling Estate | 2023 | Darling Estate Gewürztraminer | King Valley | 15 4 | 83.5 | |
| Topper's Mounatin | 2023 | Gewurztraminer | New England Australia | 15 5 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Unico Zelo | 2023 | Pollen | Clare Valley | 15 6 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Red Feet | 2023 | Gewurztraminer | King Valley | 15 7 | 84.5 | |
| Ros Ritchie Wines | 2024 | Dead Man's Hill Vineyard | Upper Goulburn | 15 8 | 93.0 | Silver |
| Symphony Hill Wines | 2023 | Symphony Hill Wines Gewurztraminer | Clare Valley | 15 9 | 92.0 | Silver |

Class 15 Comments:

The best of the class had lovely perfumed notes, balanced with fruit. Lovely acid and texture on palate, in combination good flow.

Class 16: Gruener Veltliner

| | | | Class # | | Score | Medal |
|-----------------------------|------|--------------------------------|----------------|------|-------|--------|
| K1 by Geoff Hardy | 2023 | Gruener Veltliner | Adelaide Hills | 16 1 | 84.0 | |
| Main & Cherry | 2024 | Grüner Veltliner | Adelaide Hills | 16 2 | 84.0 | |
| Little Frances | 2023 | Gruener Veltliner | Alpine Valleys | 16 3 | 83.0 | |
| Longview Vineyard | 2024 | Macclesfield Gruener Veltliner | Adelaide Hills | 16 4 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Lingo | 2023 | Clare Valley Gruener Veltliner | Clare Valley | 16 5 | 92.0 | Silver |
| Hand Crafted by Geoff Hardy | 2023 | Gruener Veltliner | | 16 6 | 83.0 | |



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|--------------------------|------|-------------------------------------|----------------|----|----|------|-----------|
| Pernod Ricard Winemakers | 2023 | Aces & Arrows Gruner Veltliner | Adelaide Hills | 16 | 7 | 0.0 | Withdrawn |
| Stage Door Wine Co | 2023 | Gruener Veltliner | Eden Valley | 16 | 8 | 83.0 | |
| Eden Hall | 2024 | Gruener Veltliner | Eden Valley | 16 | 9 | 84.0 | |
| Collector | 2022 | Ledger Grüner Veltliner | Tumbarumba | 16 | 10 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Hahndorf Hill | 2024 | White Mischief | Adelaide Hills | 16 | 11 | 91.0 | Silver |
| Wangolina | 2024 | A-Series Grüner Veltliner | Mount Benson | 16 | 12 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| Hahndorf Hill | 2024 | Gru | Adelaide Hills | 16 | 13 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Cloudbreak Wines | 2024 | Nouveau Collection Gruner Veltliner | Adelaide Hills | 16 | 14 | 83.0 | |
| Hahndorf Hill | 2023 | Reserve Gruner Veltliner | Adelaide Hills | 16 | 15 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| Castle Rock Estate | 2023 | Grüner Veltliner | Porongurup | 16 | 16 | 83.0 | |
| Castle Rock Estate | 2024 | Grüner Veltliner | Porongurup | 16 | 17 | 84.0 | |
| Linear Wines | 2024 | Gruener Veltliner | Tumbarumba | 16 | 18 | 86.0 | Bronze |

Class 16 Comments:

Big difference in styles. Best wines showed a balance of juicy freshness and savoury styles with good textural quality. Some overoaked, bigger and sweeter styles detracting from varietal character.

Class 17: Other white varietal wines (not Italian or French; min. 85% single variety)

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal | |
|------------------------|------|------------------------|-----------------------|---------|-------|-------|--------|
| Robinvale Wines | 2015 | Kerner | North West Victoria | 17 | 1 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Chaffey Bros. Wine Co. | 2024 | Kontrapunkt Kerner | Eden Valley | 17 | 2 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| Robinvale Wines | 2008 | Kerner | North West Victoria | 17 | 3 | 93.0 | Silver |
| Trentham Estate | 2024 | Cellar Reserve Verdejo | Murray Darling NSW | 17 | 4 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Freeman | 2023 | Furmint | Hilltops | 17 | 5 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Trentham Estate | 2022 | Cellar Reserve Verdejo | Murray Darling NSW | 17 | 6 | 93.0 | Silver |
| Topper's Mountain | 2023 | Tempranillo Blanco | New England Australia | 17 | 7 | 87.0 | Bronze |

Class 17 Comments:

An interesting class to judge with varying styles. Some lovely textural work keeping us interested amongst the different flavour profiles.



Class 18: White blends

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|-------------------|------|---|--------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Blood Moon Wines | 2024 | Moonrise | Murray Darling Vic | 18 1 | 82.0 | |
| MDI Wines | 2023 | NMGP Skin.Ed XVIII | Murray Darling Vic | 18 2 | 82.5 | |
| Mother Block | 2024 | Skin Contact | Murray Darling Vic | 18 3 | 0.0 | Not Received |
| Hidden Creek | 2023 | Viognier-Marsanne | Granite Belt | 18 4 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Ballandean Estate | 2024 | GFM | Granite Belt | 18 5 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Renaissance | 2023 | VRM | Rutherglen | 18 6 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Harrison | 2023 | Sol Blanc | McLaren Vale | 18 7 | 83.5 | |
| Langmeil Winery | 2023 | Three Gardens Viognier Marsanne Roussanne | Barossa Valley | 18 8 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Coriole | 2023 | Sandalwood | McLaren Vale | 18 9 | 90.5 | Silver |
| Hahndorf Hill | 2024 | Brother Nature Field Blend | Adelaide Hills | 18 10 | 88.5 | Bronze |
| Trentham Estate | 2023 | Cellar Reserve Three Fields | Murray Darling NSW | 18 11 | 0.0 | Withdrawn |
| Ricca Terra | 2024 | High Noon Skin Contact | Riverland | 18 12 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Rutherglen Estate | 2023 | Shelleys Block | Rutherglen | 18 13 | 86.5 | Bronze |

Class 18 Comments:

Some early development, struggled to find the highlights. Wines looked neutral and lacked the structure required for higher grades.

Class 19: Rosé

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|-----------------------|------|--|--------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| d'Arenberg | 2024 | Stephanie The Gnome With Rose Coloured Glasses | McLaren Vale | 19 1 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Trentham Estate | 2024 | The Family Sangiovese Rose | Murray Darling Vic | 19 2 | 84.0 | |
| Pietro wines | 2024 | Monte100% | McLaren Vale | 19 3 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| Fitz and Gibbon | 2024 | Pinot Meunier Rose | Adelaide Hills | 19 4 | 83.5 | |
| La Linea | 2024 | Tempranillo rose | Adelaide Hills | 19 5 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Chapel Hill | 2024 | The Parson Sangiovese Rose | McLaren Vale | 19 6 | 83.5 | |
| Vinoque | 2024 | Rosato | Yarra Valley | 19 7 | 82.5 | |
| Mercer Wines | 2024 | Rosato | Orange | 19 8 | 84.0 | |
| James and Co | 2024 | Sangiovese Rose | Alpine Valleys | 19 9 | 87.5 | Bronze |
| Saddler's Creek Wiens | 2024 | Sangiovese Rosé | Central Ranges | 19 10 | 95.0 | Gold |
| LINO RAMBLE | 2023 | SNAP | McLaren Vale | 19 11 | 83.5 | |
| Vino Intrepido | 2023 | The Sharpest Thorn | Nagambie Lakes | 19 12 | 82.5 | |
| La Prova | 2024 | Aglianico Rosato | Adelaide Hills | 19 13 | 96.0 | Gold |



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|----------------------------|------|--|-----------------|----|----|------|--------|
| Smallwater Estate | 2024 | Roze | Geographe | 19 | 14 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Dal Zotto | 2024 | Rosato | King Valley | 19 | 15 | 87.5 | Bronze |
| Ricca Terra | 2024 | Colour of Calmness | Riverland | 19 | 16 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Billy Button | 2024 | Rosato | Alpine Valleys | 19 | 17 | 84.0 | |
| Hastwell & Lightfoot | 2024 | Barbera Rosé | McLaren Vale | 19 | 18 | 87.5 | Bronze |
| Fighting Gully Road | 2024 | Rose' | Beechworth | 19 | 19 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Oliver's Taranga Vineyards | 2024 | 'Chica' Mencia Rose | McLaren Vale | 19 | 20 | 84.5 | |
| Chalmers | 2024 | Rosato | Heathcote | 19 | 21 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Vigna Bottin Wines | 2024 | Rosato | McLaren Vale | 19 | 22 | 83.0 | |
| Michelini Wines | 2024 | Rose | Alpine Valleys | 19 | 23 | 84.0 | |
| Hither & Yon | 2024 | Mataro Rose | McLaren Vale | 19 | 24 | 90.0 | Silver |
| d'Arenberg | 2024 | The House of Pink Mind Your Ps & Qs Rose | McLaren Vale | 19 | 25 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Wangolina | 2024 | Limestone Coast Rose | Limestone Coast | 19 | 26 | 84.0 | |
| Wangolina | 2024 | A-Series Rosato | Limestone Coast | 19 | 27 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Pikes Wines | 2024 | Luccio Sangiovese Rose | Clare Valley | 19 | 28 | 90.0 | Silver |

Class 19 Comments:

Broad class of wines-many reduced and using sugar to cover up phenolics.
Best wines have freshness, and vibrant fruit, balanced by acidity and sweetness.

Class 20A: Sangiovese - 2023 and younger

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|-------------------------|------|---|----------------|---------|-------|--------|
| rokkwell | 2023 | Sangiovese | South Burnett | 20A 1 | 83.0 | |
| Nugan Estate | 2024 | Nugan Estate Alfredo King Valley Sangiovese | King Valley | 20A 2 | 96.0 | Gold |
| La Cantina King Valley | 2023 | Sangiovese | King Valley | 20A 3 | 84.5 | |
| The Ethereal One | 2023 | Fleurieu Sangiovese | Fleurieu | 20A 4 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Vino Intrepido | 2023 | Blood of My Blood | Heathcote | 20A 5 | 84.5 | |
| Amato Vino | 2023 | Sangiovese | Margaret River | 20A 6 | 84.5 | |
| Calabria Family Wines | 2024 | Belena Sangiovese | Riverina | 20A 7 | 84.5 | |
| Mr. Mick | 2024 | Sangiovese | Clare Valley | 20A 8 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Tonon Vineyard & Winery | 2023 | Sangiovese | Perth Hills | 20A 10 | 83.5 | |
| Pikes Wines | 2023 | Luccio Sangiovese | Clare Valley | 20A 11 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Fighting Gully Road | 2023 | Beechworth Sangiovese | Beechworth | 20A 12 | 93.0 | Silver |
| Artwine | 2023 | The Doghouse | Clare Valley | 20A 13 | 87.5 | Bronze |



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| Hungerford Hill | 2023 | Sangiovese | Hilltops | 20A | 14 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Michelini Wines | 2023 | Sangiovese | Alpine Valleys | 20A | 15 | 83.5 | |
| Paxton Wines | 2023 | Sangiovese | McLaren Vale | 20A | 16 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Coriole | 2023 | Sangiovese | McLaren Vale | 20A | 17 | 84.0 | |
| James and Co Wines | 2023 | James and Co Sangiovese | Alpine Valleys | 20A | 18 | 84.5 | |
| Jacksons Hill | 2023 | Panoramic Sangiovese | King Valley | 20A | 19 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Pizzini Wines | 2023 | Pietra Rossa Sangiovese | King Valley | 20A | 20 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Dal Zotto | 2023 | Sangiovese | King Valley | 20A | 21 | 84.0 | |
| Indigo Vineyard | 2023 | Sangiovese | Beechworth | 20A | 22 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Main & Cherry | 2023 | Sangiovese | McLaren Vale | 20A | 23 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Pikes Wines | 2023 | Il Premio Sangiovese | Clare Valley | 20A | 24 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Altair Estate | 2023 | Sangiovese | Margaret River | 20A | 25 | 89.0 | Bronze |
| Blood Moon Wines | 2024 | Sang des Etoiles | Heathcote | 20A | 26 | 83.0 | |
| Hedonist Wines | 2023 | Sangiovese | McLaren Vale | 20A | 27 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Claymore Wines | 2023 | Blackbird Sangiovese | Clare Valley | 20A | 28 | 91.0 | Silver |
| Gentle Folk | 2023 | Onkaparinga Valley | Adelaide Hills | 20A | 29 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| Billy Button | 2023 | 'The Rustic' Sangiovese | Alpine Valleys | 20A | 30 | 89.0 | Bronze |
| Capital Wines | 2023 | The Foreign Minister | Canberra District | 20A | 31 | 84.0 | |
| The Little Wine Co | 2023 | Sangiovese | Hilltops | 20A | 32 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Sutton Grange Winery | 2023 | Fairbank Sangiovese | Bendigo | 20A | 33 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Coulter Wines | 2023 | C2 Adelaide Sangiovese | Mount Lofty Ranges | 20A | 34 | 89.0 | Bronze |
| Hugh Hamilton Wines | 2023 | The Mongrel | McLaren Vale | 20A | 35 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Dalfarras | 2023 | Sangiovese | Swan Hill | 20A | 36 | 93.0 | Silver |

Class 20A Comments:

This was a good line up. There was some lovely bright cherry notes and good tannin in the best of the bunch. The lesser wines had tired fruit characters and soupy palates that were lacking freshness and flow.

Class 20B: Sangiovese - 2022 and older

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal | |
|----------------|------|----------------------------|--------------------|---------|-------|-------|--------|
| MDI Wines | 2022 | Sangiovese | Murray Darling Vic | 20B | 1 | 83.5 | |
| Coriole | 2022 | Vita | McLaren Vale | 20B | 2 | 96.0 | Gold |
| Vinoque | 2022 | Sangiovese | Heathcote | 20B | 3 | 88.5 | Bronze |
| Tumblong Hills | 2022 | Table of Plenty Sangiovese | Gundagai | 20B | 4 | 87.0 | Bronze |



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| LINO RAMBLE | 2022 | MARCO POLO | McLaren Vale | 20B | 5 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Fighting Gully Road | 2022 | Block 2 Sangiovese | Beechworth | 20B | 6 | 84.0 | |
| Reillys Wines | 2016 | Dry Land Sangiovese | Clare Valley | 20B | 7 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Matriarch & Rogue | 2022 | Pat Sangiovese | Clare Valley | 20B | 8 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Mitolo Wines | 2022 | Cinquecento Sangiovese | McLaren Vale | 20B | 9 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| Stone Dwellers | 2022 | Sangiovese | Strathbogie Ranges | 20B | 10 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Shy Susan | 2022 | Sangiovese | Alpine Valleys | 20B | 11 | 84.0 | |
| Vigna Bottin Wines | 2022 | Sangiovese | McLaren Vale | 20B | 12 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Reillys | 2018 | Dry Land Sangiovese | Clare Valley | 20B | 13 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| d'Arenberg | 2022 | The Mind Palace Sangiovese | McLaren Vale | 20B | 14 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Cappa Stone Wines | 2021 | Sangiovese | Murray Darling Vic | 20B | 15 | 0.0 | Not Received |
| Rutherglen Estate | 2022 | Sangiovese | Rutherglen | 20B | 16 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| Red Feet | 2022 | Sangiovese | King Valley | 20B | 17 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Freeman Vineyards | 2022 | Sangiovese | Hilltops | 20B | 18 | 87.5 | Bronze |
| Reillys Wines | 2017 | Dry Land Sangiovese | Clare Valley | 20B | 19 | 88.0 | Bronze |

Class 20B Comments:

Good to see vibrant, medium bodied wines showing varietal characters. Harvesting decisions creating some wines with baked fruit characters, and some with pronounced acidity. Tannins generally managed well.

Class 21: Nebbiolo

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal | |
|-----------------------|------|----------------------------|--------------------|---------|-------|-------|--------|
| Tar&Roses | 2022 | The Fog | Heathcote | 21 | 1 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| XO Wine Co | 2023 | Nebbiolo | Adelaide Hills | 21 | 2 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Protero | 2022 | Nebbiolo | Adelaide Hills | 21 | 3 | 91.0 | Silver |
| Vino Intrepido | 2021 | Spanna in the Works | Pyrenees | 21 | 4 | 82.0 | |
| Ballandean Estate | 2023 | Nebbiolo | Granite Belt | 21 | 5 | 88.5 | Bronze |
| Protero | 2021 | Nebbiolo | Adelaide Hills | 21 | 6 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Pizzini | 2021 | L'Aquila Nebbiolo | King Valley | 21 | 7 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Sentio | 2021 | Nebbiolo | Beechworth | 21 | 8 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Saddler's Creek Wines | 2022 | Winemaker's Craft Nebbiolo | Hilltops | 21 | 9 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| First Drop Wines | 2018 | Forza | Adelaide Hills | 21 | 10 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Trentham Estate | 2022 | The Family Nebbiolo | Murray Darling NSW | 21 | 11 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Longview Vineyard | 2022 | Saturnus | Adelaide Hills | 21 | 12 | 93.0 | Silver |



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| Red Feet | 2022 | Nebbiolo | King Valley | 21 | 13 | 81.0 | |
| Freeman Vineyards | 2022 | Altura Nebbiolo | Hilltops | 21 | 14 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| Billy Button | 2022 | 'The Elusive' Nebbiolo | Alpine Valleys | 21 | 15 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Dott. | 2023 | Nebbiolo | Heathcote | 21 | 16 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Pipan Steel Wines | 2019 | Tesoro | Alpine Valleys | 21 | 17 | 87.5 | Bronze |
| Michelini Wines | 2023 | Nebbiolo | Alpine Valleys | 21 | 18 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Saffron Gramophone | 2021 | Nebbiolo | North East Victoria | 21 | 19 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| SOUMAH | 2021 | Hexham Vineyard Nebbiolo | Yarra Valley | 21 | 20 | 89.0 | Bronze |

Class 21 Comments:

Was hoping for more from Nebbiolo. Found a few that looked promising, the good ones had good tannin and fresh fruit. Whilst the ones that fell out of medals looked tired soupy and lacked structure.

Class 22: Barbera

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal | |
|---------------------------------|------|--------------------------------|----------------|---------|-------|-------|--------|
| Coulter Wines | 2022 | C5 Adelaide Hills Barbera | Adelaide Hills | 22 | 1 | 83.0 | |
| Saddler's Creek Wines | 2021 | Winemaker's Craft Barbera | Adelaide Hills | 22 | 2 | 83.0 | |
| Protero | 2021 | Barbera | Adelaide Hills | 22 | 3 | 96.0 | Gold |
| First Ridge | 2023 | Barbera | Mudgee | 22 | 4 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Longview Vineyard | 2021 | Jupiter Barbera | Adelaide Hills | 22 | 5 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Berton Vineyards Alfresco Range | 2024 | Barbera | Riverina | 22 | 6 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| First Drop Wines | 2023 | Moderno Adelaide Hills Barbera | Adelaide Hills | 22 | 7 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| First Drop Wines | 2022 | Moderno Adelaide Hills Barbera | Adelaide Hills | 22 | 8 | 82.0 | |
| Michelini Wines | 2023 | Barbera | Alpine Valleys | 22 | 9 | 83.0 | |
| Vineyard 28 | 2023 | Wildwater Barbera | Geographe | 22 | 10 | 92.0 | Silver |
| XO Wine Co | 2023 | Small Batch Barbera | Adelaide Hills | 22 | 11 | 83.0 | |
| Anvers Wines Pty Ltd | 2022 | Barbera | Adelaide Hills | 22 | 12 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Nepenthe | 2023 | Pinnacle Barbera | Adelaide Hills | 22 | 13 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Billy Button | 2023 | 'The Affable' Barbera | Alpine Valleys | 22 | 14 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| Hastwell & Lightfoot | 2024 | Barbera | McLaren Vale | 22 | 15 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Grove Estate | 2023 | Hilltops Barbera | Hilltops | 22 | 16 | 83.0 | |
| Vigna Bottin Wines | 2021 | Barbera | McLaren Vale | 22 | 17 | 82.0 | |
| Protero | 2022 | Barbera | Adelaide Hills | 22 | 18 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| First Ridge | 2022 | Barbera | Mudgee | 22 | 19 | 84.0 | |



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| Lingo | 2023 | Adelaide Hills Barbera | Adelaide Hills | 22 | 20 | 81.0 | |
| Mercer Wines | 2023 | Barbera | Orange | 22 | 21 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Tumblong Hills | 2023 | Table of Plenty Barbera | Gundagai | 22 | 22 | 88.0 | Bronze |

Class 22 Comments:

A varied range of styles on the bench from green vegetal through to rich and ripe. Best examples showed medium finer frames, freshness of fruit and ripe mouthcoating tannin. Excessive oak and over ripeness was detracting many wines.

Class 23: Sagrantino

| | | | | Class # | | Score | Medal |
|----------------------------|------|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|---|--------------|--------------|
| Andrew Peace Wines | 2022 | Australia Felix Sagrantino | Swan Hill | 23 | 1 | 89.5 | Bronze |
| Saddler's Creek Wines | 2021 | Winemakers Craft Sagrantino | Adelaide Hills | 23 | 2 | 87.5 | Bronze |
| Oliver's Taranga Vineyards | 2022 | Sagrantino | McLaren Vale | 23 | 3 | 87.5 | Bronze |
| Bondar Wines | 2023 | Sagrantino | McLaren Vale | 23 | 4 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Andrew Peace Wines | 2020 | Australia Felix Sagrantino | Swan Hill | 23 | 5 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Andrew Peace Wines | 2021 | Australia Felix Sagrantino | Swan Hill | 23 | 6 | 95.0 | Gold |

Class 23 Comments:

An interesting class, well managed tannin resolution, wines with some age displayed good depth. Oak handling in check. Solid medal score across the board!

Class 24: Aglianico

| | | | | Class # | | Score | Medal |
|----------------------|------|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|---|--------------|--------------|
| Cappa Stone Wines | 2022 | Family series Alianico | Padthaway | 24 | 1 | 0.0 | Not Received |
| Purple Hands Wines | 2022 | After Five Wine Co Aglianico | Barossa Valley | 24 | 2 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Chalmers | 2023 | Aglianico | Heathcote | 24 | 3 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Ricca Terra | 2023 | Aglianico | Riverland | 24 | 4 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| Carillion Wines | 2022 | Lovable Rogue Moon Child Aglianico | Orange | 24 | 5 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Fighting Gully Road | 2019 | Aglianico | Alpine Valleys | 24 | 6 | 84.0 | |
| Sutton Grange Winery | 2021 | Estate Aglianico | Bendigo | 24 | 7 | 83.0 | |
| Hither & Yon | 2023 | Aglianico | McLaren Vale | 24 | 8 | 93.0 | Silver |

Class 24 Comments:

Classic style rewarded with lovely bright fruits and mouthcoating textural interest. Vibrancy and freshness the key.



Class 25A: Montepulciano - 2023 and younger

| | | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|--------------------|------|--|-----------------|-----|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Russell and Sutor | 2023 | Alejandro | Riverland | 25A | 1 | 82.0 | |
| Ricca Terra | 2023 | Montepulciano | Riverland | 25A | 2 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Via Pola Wines | 2024 | Montepulciano | Riverina | 25A | 3 | 83.0 | |
| First Ridge | 2023 | Montepulciano | Mudgee | 25A | 4 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Wangolina | 2023 | A-Series Montepulciano | Limestone Coast | 25A | 5 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Pindarie | 2023 | The Straggler | Barossa Valley | 25A | 6 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Chalk Hill | 2023 | Small Batch Release Montepulciano | McLaren Vale | 25A | 7 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Vino Intrepido | 2023 | Migrating Coconuts | Heathcote | 25A | 8 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Marnong Estate | 2023 | Montepulciano | Sunbury | 25A | 9 | 0.0 | Withdrawn |
| Lingo | 2023 | Adelaide Hills Montepulciano | Adelaide Hills | 25A | 10 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Scarpantoni Estate | 2023 | Scarpantni Estate Montepulciano | McLaren Vale | 25A | 11 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Purple Hands Wines | 2023 | Oenotri | Barossa Valley | 25A | 12 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Nikola Estate | 2023 | Nikola Estate Gallery Range "The Minimalist" | Swan Valley | 25A | 13 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Serafino Wines | 2023 | Bellissimo Montepulciano | McLaren Vale | 25A | 14 | 91.0 | Silver |
| Boston Bay | 2023 | Core Series Montepulciano | Langhorne Creek | 25A | 15 | 82.0 | |
| Brown Brothers | 2023 | Limited Release Montepulciano | Heathcote | 25A | 16 | 0.0 | Not Received |
| McGuigan Wines | 2023 | Mastercraft Montepulciano | Barossa Valley | 25A | 17 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Dal Zotto | 2023 | Montepulciano | Heathcote | 25A | 18 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| Mercer Wines | 2023 | Montepulciano | Central Ranges | 25A | 19 | 83.0 | |
| Coriole | 2023 | Montepulciano | McLaren Vale | 25A | 20 | 88.0 | Bronze |

Class 25A Comments:

Such a robust tannic variety that requires some judicious management. Lots of dusty and drying wines. Awarded wines showed lovely brightness of fruit and finer framed tannin and great persistence.

Class 25B: Montepulciano - 2022 and older

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal | |
|--------------------|------|--------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------|
| Atze's Corner | 2022 | Mob | Barossa Valley | 25B | 1 | 90.0 | Silver |
| First Drop Wines | 2020 | Minchia Adelaide Hills Montepulciano | Adelaide Hills | 25B | 2 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Purple Hands Wines | 2022 | Oenotri | Barossa Valley | 25B | 3 | 92.0 | Silver |
| Vigna Bottin | 2022 | Montepulciano | McLaren Vale | 25B | 4 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| Mitolo Wines | 2022 | Masso Montepulciano | | 25B | 5 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Mallee Estate | 2021 | Montepulciano | Riverland | 25B | 6 | 82.0 | |



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| d'Arenberg | 2022 | The Hunjee Heartstring Montepulciano | McLaren Vale | 25B | 7 | 84.0 | |
| Press + Bloom | 2022 | Montepulciano | Barossa Valley | 25B | 8 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Regional Classic | 2021 | Heathcote Montepulciano | Heathcote | 25B | 9 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Matriarch and Rogue | 2022 | Jim Montepulciano | Clare Valley | 25B | 10 | 90.5 | Silver |
| Kangarilla Road | 2022 | Montepulciano | Riverland | 25B | 11 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Artwine | 2022 | Leave Your Hat On | Clare Valley | 25B | 12 | 89.0 | Bronze |
| Purple Hands Wines | 2022 | After Five Wine Co Montepulciano | Barossa Valley | 25B | 13 | 96.0 | Gold |

Class 25B Comments:

Variable bracket to judge-some over ripe cooked wines that show development, while the strongest wines showed bright varietal characters with balanced tannins and oak handling.

Class 26A: Nero d'Avola 2024

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal | |
|---------------------|------|----------------------------|---------------------|---------|-------|-------|--------|
| SHERRAH Wines | 2024 | Nero d'Avola | McLaren Vale | 26A | 1 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Seppeltsfield Wines | 2024 | Barossa Nero D'Avola | Barossa Valley | 26A | 2 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Coriole | 2024 | Nero | McLaren Vale | 26A | 3 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Serafino Wines | 2024 | Bellissimo Nero d'Avola | McLaren Vale | 26A | 4 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Innocent Bystander | 2024 | Nero d'Avola | North West Victoria | 26A | 5 | 77.5 | |
| Scarpantoni Estate | 2024 | McLaren Vale Nero D 'Avola | McLaren Vale | 26A | 6 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Chalmers | 2024 | Nero d'Avola | Heathcote | 26A | 7 | 85.5 | Bronze |

Class 26A Comments:

Bright, fresh, juicy and enjoyable styles. Best wine showed well managed tannin handling with structure.

Class 26B: Nero d'Avola 2023 and older

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal | |
|----------------------|------|----------------------|--------------------|---------|-------|-------|--------------|
| Nero | 2023 | Lake Breeze | Langhorne Creek | 26B | 1 | 90.0 | Silver |
| James and Co Wines | 2023 | Nero d'Avola | Murray Darling Vic | 26B | 2 | 84.0 | |
| Mitolo Wines | 2023 | Scylla Nero d'Avola | McLaren Vale | 26B | 3 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Baileys of Glenrowan | 2023 | Organic Nero d'Avola | Glenrowan | 26B | 4 | 84.0 | |
| Cappa Stone Wines | 2022 | Nero D'avola | Adelaide Hills | 26B | 5 | 0.0 | Not Received |
| White Gate Wine Co. | 2023 | Nero d'Avola | Barossa Valley | 26B | 6 | 87.0 | Bronze |



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|---------------------|------|---|---------------------|-----|----|------|--------------|
| S.C.Pannell | 2023 | Nero Diavola | McLaren Vale | 26B | 7 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Maxwell Wines | 2023 | 2023 Maxwell Nero d'Avola | McLaren Vale | 26B | 8 | 82.0 | |
| SØUTH WINES | 2023 | Nero d'Avola | Fleurieu | 26B | 9 | 81.0 | |
| Tumblong Hills | 2023 | Table of Plenty Nero d'Avola | Gundagai | 26B | 10 | 83.0 | |
| Kangarilla Road | 2023 | Nero d'Avola | Riverland | 26B | 11 | 84.0 | |
| Politini Wines | 2021 | Nero d'Avola | King Valley | 26B | 12 | 83.0 | |
| Symphony Hill Wines | 2023 | 2023 Reserve Nero d'Avola | Murray Darling NSW | 26B | 13 | 82.0 | |
| Kirrihill Wines | 2021 | Piccoli Lotti McLaren Vale Nero d'Avola | McLaren Vale | 26B | 14 | 0.0 | Not Received |
| Trentham Estate | 2022 | The Family Nero D'Avola | | 26B | 15 | 84.0 | |
| Lark Hill | 2023 | Nero D'Avola | Gundagai | 26B | 16 | 92.0 | Silver |
| Pietro Wines | 2023 | Nero100% | Currency Creek | 26B | 17 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Ricca Terra | 2023 | Nero d'Avola | Riverland | 26B | 18 | 89.0 | Bronze |
| d'Arenberg | 2023 | The Danger Mouse Nero d'Avola | McLaren Vale | 26B | 19 | 83.0 | |
| McCarthy's Orchard | 2022 | Little Lady Lala Nero D'Avola | McLaren Vale | 26B | 20 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Arla Gardens | 2023 | Moppa Nero d'Avola | Barossa Valley | 26B | 21 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Dalfarras | 2022 | Nero d'Avola | North West Victoria | 26B | 22 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Chalmers | 2023 | Nero d'Avola | Heathcote | 26B | 23 | 83.0 | |

Class 26B Comments:

A generally disappointing class with many wines showing oxidation and microbial issues and a general lack of stuffing. Best wines showed bright fresh fruit with lovely structural integrity.

Class 27: Other red Italian varietal wines (min. 85% single variety)

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal | |
|-----------------------------|------|---------------------------|----------------------|---------|-------|-------|--------|
| Dott. | 2023 | Pavana | Heathcote | 27 | 1 | 90.5 | Silver |
| Hand Crafted by Geoff Hardy | 2023 | Dolcetto | Limestone Coast | 27 | 2 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| Nepenthe | 2023 | Pinnacle Dolcetto | Adelaide Hills | 27 | 3 | 87.5 | Bronze |
| Vineyard 28 | 2024 | Dolcetto | Geographe | 27 | 4 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| Vino Intrepido | 2022 | Dulcet Tones | Macedon Ranges | 27 | 5 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| Michelini Wines | 2023 | Marzemino | Alpine Valleys | 27 | 6 | 83.5 | |
| SOUMAH | 2023 | Hexham Vineyard Marzemino | Yarra Valley | 27 | 7 | 89.5 | Bronze |
| Hickinbotham of Dromana | 2023 | Lagrein | Mornington Peninsula | 27 | 8 | 89.0 | Bronze |
| rokkwell | 2023 | Lagrein | Riverland | 27 | 9 | 89.0 | Bronze |
| Symphony Hill Wines | 2023 | Amphora Lagrein | Heathcote | 27 | 10 | 88.5 | Bronze |



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|--------------------|------|---------------------------------|--------------------|----|----|------|--------------|
| Wangolina | 2023 | A-Series Lagrein | Limestone Coast | 27 | 11 | 87.5 | Bronze |
| Lark Hill | 2023 | Teroldego | Murray Darling Vic | 27 | 12 | 91.0 | Silver |
| Michelini Wines | 2023 | Teroldego | Alpine Valleys | 27 | 13 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Tempus Two | 2024 | Copper Teroldego | Murray Darling Vic | 27 | 14 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Billy Button | 2023 | 'The Renegade' Refosco | Alpine Valleys | 27 | 15 | 92.0 | Silver |
| Billy Button | 2023 | 'The Clandestine' Schioppettino | Alpine Valleys | 27 | 16 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| Blood Moon Wines | 2024 | Promise | Heathcote | 27 | 17 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| Box Grove Vineyard | 2024 | Negroamaro | Goulburn Valley | 27 | 18 | 0.0 | Not Received |
| Chalmers | 2022 | Bush Vine Negroamaro | Murray Darling Vic | 27 | 19 | 82.5 | |
| Silent Noise | 2024 | Uva di Troia | Riverland | 27 | 20 | 88.5 | Bronze |
| Wangolina | 2023 | A-Series Dolcetto | Limestone Coast | 27 | 21 | 88.5 | Bronze |

Class 27 Comments:

Really interesting bracket. Wide variation across varieties. Some nice vibrant wines, however some were v.disjointed and overly extacted with v.ripe fruit.

Class 28A: Tempranillo - 2023 and younger

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|-------------------------|------|---------------------------------|----------------------|---------|-------|-----------|
| Jacob's Creek | 2023 | Our Limited Release Tempranillo | Barossa | 28A 1 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Hickinbotham of Dromana | 2023 | Tempranillo | Mornington Peninsula | 28A 2 | 84.0 | |
| Tonon Vineyard & Winery | 2023 | Xavier Tempranillo | Perth Hills | 28A 3 | 84.0 | |
| Ferngrove | 2023 | Estate Reserve | Frankland River | 28A 4 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Gemtree Wines | 2024 | Luna Temprana Tempranillo | McLaren Vale | 28A 5 | 84.0 | |
| High Country | 2023 | Tempranillo | Alpine Valleys | 28A 6 | 82.0 | |
| Golden Grove Estate | 2023 | Joven Tempranillo | Granite Belt | 28A 7 | 92.0 | Silver |
| Russell and Sutor | 2024 | Franca's Vineyard | Riverland | 28A 8 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Main & Cherry | 2023 | Tempranillo | McLaren Vale | 28A 9 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Mercer Wines | 2023 | Tempranillo | Gundagai | 28A 10 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Rutherglen Estate | 2023 | Tempranillo | Rutherglen | 28A 11 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| Nikola Estate | 2023 | Nikola Estate Tempranillo | Geographe | 28A 12 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Ridgemill Estate | 2023 | Tempranillo | Granite Belt | 28A 13 | 0.0 | Withdrawn |
| Linear Wines | 2023 | Tempranillo | Hilltops | 28A 14 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Hidden Creek | 2023 | Tempranillo | Granite Belt | 28A 15 | 84.0 | |
| Hedonist Wines | 2023 | Tempranillo | McLaren Vale | 28A 16 | 87.0 | Bronze |



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|----------------------------|------|----------------------------|-------------------|-----|----|------|--------------|
| Reillys | 2023 | Dry Land Tempranillo | Clare Valley | 28A | 17 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Pindarie | 2023 | The Risk Taker | Barossa Valley | 28A | 19 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Heirloom Vineyards | 2023 | Adelaide Hills Tempranillo | Adelaide Hills | 28A | 20 | 0.0 | Not Received |
| Saddler's Creek Wines | 2023 | Saddler's Tempranillo | Hilltops | 28A | 21 | 84.0 | |
| Green Door | 2023 | Amphora Tempranillo | Geographe | 28A | 22 | 93.0 | Silver |
| Mount Majura Vineyard | 2023 | Tempranillo | Canberra District | 28A | 23 | 84.0 | |
| Oliver's Taranga Vineyards | 2024 | Tempranillo | McLaren Vale | 28A | 24 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| Wangolina | 2023 | A-Series Tempranillo | Limestone Coast | 28A | 25 | 83.0 | |
| Billy Button | 2023 | 'The Alluring' Tempranillo | Alpine Valleys | 28A | 26 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Farmer & The Scientist | 2023 | Tempranillo | Heathcote | 28A | 27 | 92.0 | Silver |
| McGuigan Wines | 2023 | Mastercraft Tempranillo | Hilltops | 28A | 28 | 92.0 | Silver |
| Larnook | 2023 | Tempranillo | McLaren Vale | 28A | 29 | 83.0 | |

Class 28A Comments:

The best examples saw resolved tannin and judicious use of oak. Drying tannins were an issue, as was too much reduction.. Some over/under characteristics were also problematic.

Class 28B: Tempranillo - 2022 and older

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal | |
|--------------------------|------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|---------|-------|-------|--------|
| Brown Brothers | 2022 | Origins Series Tempranillo | King Valley | 28B | 1 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Capital Wines | 2022 | The Ambassador Tempranillo | Riverina | 28B | 2 | 84.0 | |
| Anderson & Marsh | 2022 | Parell Tempranillo | Alpine Valleys | 28B | 3 | 87.5 | Bronze |
| Ernest Hill wines | 2021 | Andrew Watson Tempranillo | Hunter Valley | 28B | 4 | 84.0 | |
| Gill Wine Estate Pty Ltd | 2021 | Rivah Tempranillo | Murray Darling Vic | 28B | 5 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Mallee Estate | 2022 | 230 Strong Men Tempranillo | Riverland | 28B | 6 | 78.5 | |
| Valley Selection | 2022 | Tempranillo | King Valley | 28B | 7 | 84.0 | |
| Woodfired | 2021 | Tempranillo | Heathcote | 28B | 8 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Peter Lehmann Wines | 2022 | The Barossan Tempranillo | Barossa Valley | 28B | 9 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| Family Crest | 2022 | Tempranillo | McLaren Vale | 28B | 10 | 88.5 | Bronze |
| Ros Ritchie Wines | 2022 | Sandy Creek Vineyard | Upper Goulburn | 28B | 11 | 83.5 | |
| Peter Lehmann Wines | 2022 | Hill & Valley Tempranillo | Barossa Valley | 28B | 12 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Ernest Hill wines | 2018 | Andrew Watson Tempranillo | Hunter Valley | 28B | 13 | 84.0 | |
| Mallee Estate | 2020 | Tempranillo | Riverland | 28B | 14 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| Red Knot | 2022 | Classified McLaren Vale Tempranillo | McLaren Vale | 28B | 15 | 93.0 | Silver |



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| Ernest Hill wines | 2017 | Andrew Watson Tempranillo | Hunter Valley | 28B | 16 | 84.0 | |
| Artwine | 2022 | Hola | Clare Valley | 28B | 17 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| Farmer & The Scientist | 2022 | Tempranillo | Heathcote | 28B | 18 | 96.0 | Gold |
| Mayford Wines | 2022 | Mayford Tempranillo | Alpine Valleys | 28B | 19 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Barristers Block | 2021 | Country Series Tempranillo | Adelaide Hills | 28B | 20 | 84.5 | |
| Fighting Gully Road | 2021 | Beechworth Tempranillo | Beechworth | 28B | 21 | 85.5 | Bronze |

Class 28B Comments:

Lots more to learn as we head down this journey. Keeping pH and acidity in check, managing tannins and oak handling, and making wines to age still appears to be a challenge.

Class 29: Mataro / Mourvedre / Monastrell

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal | |
|---------------------|------|-------------------------------|--------------------|---------|-------|-------|--------|
| Stone Dwellers | 2022 | Mourvedre | Strathbogie Ranges | 29 | 1 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Golden Grove Estate | 2022 | Mourvedre | Granite Belt | 29 | 2 | 90.5 | Silver |
| Bondar Wines | 2023 | Monastrell | McLaren Vale | 29 | 3 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Saltfleet | 2023 | Mourvedre | McLaren Vale | 29 | 4 | 84.5 | |
| Press + Bloom | 2021 | Mataro | Barossa Valley | 29 | 5 | 84.0 | |
| Bremerton Wines | 2023 | Special Release Mourvedre | Langhorne Creek | 29 | 6 | 92.0 | Silver |
| Chapel Hill | 2022 | The MV McLaren Vale Mourvedre | McLaren Vale | 29 | 7 | 86.5 | Bronze |

Class 29 Comments:

Powerful wines. Lacked some flow and finesse.

Class 30: Graciano

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal | |
|-----------------------|------|------------------------------|--------------------|---------|-------|-------|--------|
| Ridgemill Estate | 2022 | Graciano | Riverland | 30 | 1 | 83.5 | |
| Mount Majura Vineyard | 2023 | Graciano | Canberra District | 30 | 2 | 92.0 | Silver |
| Russell and Sutor | 2023 | Alejandro | Murray Darling Vic | 30 | 3 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Artwine | 2022 | The Grace | Clare Valley | 30 | 4 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Chalk Hill | 2023 | Small Batch Release Graciano | McLaren Vale | 30 | 5 | 95.0 | Gold |

Class 30 Comments:

A very good class of Graciano, exhibiting the diversity of style that it can deliver. Spice, elegance and textural composure combine to showcase the potential poise and power in equal measure.



Class 31: Mencia

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|----------------------------|------|------------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| La Linea | 2022 | Mencia | Adelaide Hills | 31 1 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Ministry of Clouds | 2023 | Mencia | McLaren Vale | 31 2 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Oliver's Taranga Vineyards | 2024 | Mencia | McLaren Vale | 31 3 | 96.0 | Gold |
| Nepenthe | 2023 | Pinnacle Mencia | Adelaide Hills | 31 4 | 83.5 | |
| Fernfield Wines | 2023 | The Old River Red | Eden Valley | 31 5 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| d'Arenberg | 2021 | The Anthropocene Epoch | McLaren Vale | 31 6 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| Ridgemill Estate | 2023 | Mencia | Riverland | 31 7 | 84.0 | |

Class 31 Comments:

A strong class of very good, disparate examples of Mencia. Blue fruit, intertwined with tannin, complexity and winemaking interplay. The best examples showed exceptional balance, length and complexity.

Class 32: Touriga Nacional

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|--------------------|------|---|--------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Saltfleet | 2023 | Touriga Nacional | McLaren Vale | 32 1 | 84.0 | |
| McCarthy's Orchard | 2023 | Hally Touriga Nacional | McLaren Vale | 32 2 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| Nugan Estate | 2023 | Nugan Estate Carver Vineyard Riverina Touriga | Riverina | 32 3 | 87.5 | Bronze |
| First Drop Wines | 2023 | Nacional McLaren Vale Touriga Nacional | McLaren Vale | 32 4 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Heirloom Vineyards | 2023 | McLaren Vale Touriga | McLaren Vale | 32 5 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Eleven Sons | 2023 | Tu Rigoles? | Pyrenees | 32 6 | 81.5 | |

Class 32 Comments:

There was a one dimensional feel to these wines, which has us feeling that 100% Touriga may not be the way forward and that seeing it in blends was more interesting.

Class 33: Malbec

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|---------------------|------|--------------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| The Ethereal One | 2023 | Fleurieu Malbec | Fleurieu | 33 1 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Chalk Hill | 2023 | Small Batch Release Malbec | McLaren Vale | 33 2 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Ballandean Estate | 2023 | Malbec | Granite Belt | 33 3 | 83.5 | |
| Golden Grove Estate | 2022 | Malbec | Granite Belt | 33 4 | 87.0 | Bronze |
| Skillogalee Estate | 2023 | Skillogalee Small Batch Malbec | Clare Valley | 33 5 | 84.0 | |
| Hungerford Hill | 2023 | Malbec | Hilltops | 33 6 | 84.0 | |



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|---------------------------|------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|----|----|------|-----------|
| McGuigan Wines | 2023 | Mastercraft Malbec | Heathcote | 33 | 7 | 92.0 | Silver |
| Big Easy Radio | 2020 | Forget Babylon | McLaren Vale | 33 | 8 | 84.0 | |
| Mercer Wines | 2023 | Malbec | Hilltops | 33 | 9 | 89.0 | Bronze |
| Tamburlaine Organic Wines | 2023 | Reserve Malbec | Orange | 33 | 10 | 84.0 | |
| Ferngrove | 2022 | the Orchid Collection Malbec | Frankland River | 33 | 11 | 84.0 | |
| Andrew Peace Wines | 2022 | Empress Malbec | Wrattobully | 33 | 12 | 84.0 | |
| Brown Brothers | 2022 | Origins Series Malbec | Heathcote | 33 | 13 | 83.5 | |
| Karrawatta | 2023 | The Meddler | Langhorne Creek | 33 | 14 | 0.0 | Withdrawn |
| Tamburlaine Organic Wines | 2023 | Grass Roots Malbec Cabernet Franc | Orange | 33 | 15 | 84.0 | |
| Lake Breeze | 2022 | Malbec | Langhorne Creek | 33 | 16 | 91.0 | Silver |
| Gill Wine Estate Pty Ltd | 2021 | Rivah Malbec | Murray Darling Vic | 33 | 17 | 83.5 | |
| Obsessionist | 2022 | Malbec | Tasmania | 33 | 18 | 84.0 | |
| Bremerton | 2022 | Special Release Malbec | Langhorne Creek | 33 | 19 | 84.0 | |
| Saddler's Creek Wines | 2023 | Winemaker's Craft Malbec | Langhorne Creek | 33 | 20 | 83.5 | |
| Harrison | 2023 | Project 5255 Malbec | Langhorne Creek | 33 | 21 | 84.0 | |
| Main & Cherry | 2023 | Malbec | McLaren Vale | 33 | 22 | 84.0 | |
| Pepper Tree | 2023 | Pepper Tree ALT Series Malbec | Wrattobully | 33 | 23 | 84.0 | |
| Ferngrove | 2022 | Estate Reserve | Frankland River | 33 | 24 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Altair Estate | 2021 | Malbec | Margaret River | 33 | 25 | 84.0 | |

Class 33 Comments:

Indicative of the vintage in which they were produced. A decent class, though netter examples were balanced, with poised acidity and structure.

Class 34: Cabernet Franc

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal | |
|-----------------------|------|--|----------------|---------|-------|-------|--------|
| Altitude | 2022 | Cabernet Franc | Eden Valley | 34 | 1 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Tahbilk | 2022 | Cabernet Franc | Nagambie Lakes | 34 | 2 | 84.5 | |
| Skillogalee Estate | 2023 | Skillogalee Small Batch Cabernet Franc | Clare Valley | 34 | 3 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Yayoi Wines | 2024 | Fèrot | Geelong | 34 | 4 | 89.0 | Bronze |
| Main & Cherry | 2023 | Cabernet Franc | McLaren Vale | 34 | 5 | 83.0 | |
| Artwine | 2022 | Pack Leader | Clare Valley | 34 | 6 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Leconfield Coonawarra | 2022 | Cabernet Franc | Coonawarra | 34 | 7 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Harrison | 2023 | Vento do Mar Cabernet Franc | McLaren Vale | 34 | 8 | 86.5 | Bronze |



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|---------------------|------|--------------------------|-----------------|----|----|------|--------|
| Wines of Merritt | 2023 | Wilyabrup Cabernet Franc | Margaret River | 34 | 9 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Bleasdale Vineyards | 2023 | Cabernet Franc | Langhorne Creek | 34 | 10 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Penley | 2023 | Francis | Coonawarra | 34 | 11 | 85.5 | Bronze |

Class 34 Comments:

This was a nice line up. The best wines had bright fruit and vigour with lovely balance. There were some that were dominated by green notes and oak.

Class 35: Gamay

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal | |
|-------------------------|------|-------------------------|---------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| PHI | 2024 | Gamay | Yarra Valley | 35 | 1 | 84.0 | |
| Artwine | 2023 | Smiling | Adelaide Hills | 35 | 2 | 84.0 | |
| Hesketh | 2023 | Woodside | Adelaide Hills | 35 | 3 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Eastford Creek Vineyard | 2023 | Gamay | Tasmania | 35 | 4 | 84.0 | |
| John Gehrig Wines | 2024 | Gamay | King Valley | 35 | 5 | 0.0 | Withdrawn |
| Brown Brothers | 2023 | Limited Release Gamay | King Valley | 35 | 6 | 83.0 | |
| Darling Estate | 2023 | Darling Estate Gamay | King Valley | 35 | 7 | 0.0 | Not Received |
| Rewine | 2023 | Gamay 2023 | Alpine Valleys | 35 | 8 | 84.0 | |
| Sapling Yard | 2023 | Gamay | Tumbarumba | 35 | 9 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Saffron Gramophone | 2023 | Gamay | North East Victoria | 35 | 10 | 95.0 | Gold |
| XO Wine Co | 2023 | Gamay | Adelaide Hills | 35 | 11 | 90.0 | Silver |
| XO Wine Co | 2024 | Gamay | Adelaide Hills | 35 | 12 | 96.0 | Gold |
| Sentio | 2024 | Gamay | King Valley | 35 | 13 | 84.0 | |
| See Saw Wines | 2024 | Incubator Organic Gamay | Orange | 35 | 14 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Lingo | 2023 | Adelaide Hills Gamay | Adelaide Hills | 35 | 15 | 84.0 | |
| Catlin Wines | 2023 | The Gellert | Adelaide Hills | 35 | 16 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Barratt | 2023 | HSV | Adelaide Hills | 35 | 17 | 93.0 | Silver |

Class 35 Comments:

A delicious class to judge. Lots of bright fruited wines with fine tannin detail. Awarded wines had great drive and energy. The future is bright for Gamay!



Class 36: Zinfandel / Primitivo

| | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|-----------------------|------|-----------------------|---------|-------|--------|
| Water Wheel Vineyards | 2022 | Primitivo | 36 1 | 83.5 | |
| SØUTH WINES | 2023 | Primitivo | 36 2 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Silkwood Estate | 2023 | The Walcott Zinfandel | 36 3 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Smallwater Estate | 2023 | Zinfandel | 36 4 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Altitude | 2021 | Primitivo | 36 5 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Silent Noise | 2023 | Primitivo under Flor | 36 6 | 83.0 | |
| Kangarilla Road | 2021 | Primitivo | 36 7 | 84.5 | |
| Red Feet | 2022 | Zinfandel | 36 8 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| Matriarch & Rogue | 2023 | Ken Primitivo | 36 9 | 86.0 | Bronze |

Class 36 Comments:

Difficult variety to grow, class showed a variety of picking decisions and oak choices. The best wine was balanced with the full spectrum of varietal flavours, fresh acid, and judicious oak use.

Class 37: Saperavi

| | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|---------------------|------|----------------------|---------|-------|-----------|
| Ridgemill Estate | 2023 | Saperavi | 37 1 | 0.0 | Withdrawn |
| Ballandean Estate | 2023 | Saperavi | 37 2 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Arla Gardens | 2023 | Moppa, Saperavi | 37 3 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Mallee Estate | 2024 | Kati Allo Saperavi | 37 4 | 80.0 | |
| LINO RAMBLE | 2023 | SIMON SAYS | 37 5 | 84.0 | |
| Hugh Hamilton Wines | 2022 | The Oddball | 37 6 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Billy Button | 2022 | 'The Squid' Saperavi | 37 7 | 84.0 | |

Class 37 Comments:

Drying dusty tannin detracting from fruit sweetness. Best wine shows more vibrancy.



Class 38: Other red varietal wines (not Italian; min. 85% single variety)

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|-------------------------|------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Andrew Peace Wines | 2020 | Zweigelt | Swan Hill | 38 1 | 83.0 | |
| Hahndorf Hill | 2021 | Blueblood | Adelaide Hills | 38 2 | 84.0 | |
| Hahndorf Hill | 2021 | Zsa Zsa Zweigelt | Adelaide Hills | 38 3 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Hahndorf Hill | 2022 | The Foundling | Adelaide Hills | 38 4 | 82.0 | |
| Lokum | 2021 | bogazkere | | 38 5 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Bleasdale Vineyards | 2024 | Nonconformist Carignan | Langhorne Creek | 38 6 | 84.0 | |
| Box Grove Vineyard | 2023 | Sezao | Nagambie Lakes | 38 7 | 0.0 | Not Received |
| Geddes Wines | 2022 | Seldom Inn Carignan | McLaren Vale | 38 8 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Orbis Wines | 2024 | 2024 Trousseau | McLaren Vale | 38 9 | 82.0 | |
| Cappa Stone Wines | 2021 | Alicante Bouschet | Murray Darling Vic | 38 10 | 0.0 | Not Received |
| Fitz and Gibbon | 2022 | Pinot Meunier | Adelaide Hills | 38 11 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Mallee Estate | 2024 | Kati Allo Petit Verdot | Riverland | 38 12 | 86.0 | Bronze |
| Meander Valley Vineyard | 2023 | Baco Noir | Tasmania | 38 13 | 84.0 | |
| Mount Majura Vineyard | 2023 | Mondeuse | Canberra District | 38 14 | 84.0 | |
| Shadowfax | 2023 | Minnow Mondeuse Noir | Port Phillip | 38 15 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Topper's Mountain Wines | 2017 | Tannat | New England Australia | 38 16 | 81.0 | |
| Wangolina | 2022 | A-Series Carmenère | Limestone Coast | 38 17 | 82.0 | |
| Harrison | 2024 | Samson Cinsaut | McLaren Vale | 38 18 | 85.0 | Bronze |
| Ros Ritchie Wines | 2022 | Spring's Vineyard | Upper Goulburn | 38 19 | 84.0 | |

Class 38 Comments:

A real mixed bag of wines! Disappointingly many microbial issues and old oak characters showing reducing freshness and clipping palates. Some great textural and structural interest in the awarded wines.

Class 39A: Red Blends - 2023 and younger

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|-----------------|------|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Amato Vino | 2023 | Rosso | Margaret River | 39A 1 | 83.0 | |
| Ancient Soils | 2024 | Tempranillo Touriga | Heathcote | 39A 2 | 90.5 | Silver |
| Dalwood Estate | 2023 | Tempranillo Touriga | Hunter Valley | 39A 3 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Hungerford Hill | 2023 | Tempranillo Graciano | Hilltops | 39A 4 | 84.0 | |
| Pindarie | 2023 | T.S.S | Barossa Valley | 39A 5 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Ricca Terra | 2023 | Bullets Before Cannonballs | Riverland | 39A 6 | 93.0 | Silver |
| Hither & Yon | 2023 | Touriga Tempranillo | McLaren Vale | 39A 7 | 86.5 | Bronze |



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|----------------------------|------|---------------------|--------------------|-----|----|------|--------|
| Notes | 2023 | Touriga Tinta Cão | McLaren Vale | 39A | 8 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Oliver's Taranga Vineyards | 2024 | Brioni's Blend | McLaren Vale | 39A | 9 | 96.0 | Gold |
| Yarra Yering | 2023 | Dry Red Wine No. 3 | Yarra Valley | 39A | 10 | 87.5 | Bronze |
| Ridgemill Estate | 2023 | Dos Perros | Riverland | 39A | 11 | 82.0 | |
| Woody Nook | 2023 | Limited Release G&T | Margaret River | 39A | 12 | 92.5 | Silver |
| Big Easy Radio | 2023 | Funtime Fountain | McLaren Vale | 39A | 13 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| Black & Ginger | 2023 | Persephone | Murray Darling Vic | 39A | 14 | 83.5 | |
| Chalmers | 2023 | Top Block | Heathcote | 39A | 15 | 84.0 | |
| Montevecchio | 2023 | Rosso | Heathcote | 39A | 16 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Pikes Wines | 2024 | Luccio Novello | Clare Valley | 39A | 17 | 87.5 | Bronze |

Class 39A Comments:

A lot of variation in this class from lighter crunchy wines to some very powerful dense blends. There were good wines at both ends of the spectrum. Wines that weren't awarded, were dominated by oak or over ripe fruit.

Class 39B: Red blends - 2022 and older

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal | |
|----------------------------|------|---|-----------------|---------|-------|-------|--------|
| Hahndorf Hill | 2021 | Benediction | Adelaide Hills | 39B | 1 | 88.5 | Bronze |
| Hahndorf Hill | 2022 | Benediction | Adelaide Hills | 39B | 2 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| Bremerton | 2022 | Special Release Tempranillo/Graciano | Langhorne Creek | 39B | 3 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Brown Brothers | 2022 | Winemaker's Series Tempranillo Graciano | Heathcote | 39B | 4 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Stanton & Killeen | 2021 | Terra Mae | Rutherglen | 39B | 5 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Stanton & Killeen | 2022 | Terra Mae | Rutherglen | 39B | 6 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Shadowfax | 2022 | Minnow Carignan, Grenache, Mataro | Port Phillip | 39B | 7 | 96.0 | Gold |
| Seppeltsfield Wines | 2022 | No. EC3 Barossa Touriga, Tinta Cao, Tinta Amarela | Barossa Valley | 39B | 8 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Valley Selection | 2022 | Lusitania | Nagambie Lakes | 39B | 9 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Black & Ginger | 2022 | Cinco Rojas | Great Western | 39B | 10 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Big Easy Radio | 2020 | Funtime Fountain | McLaren Vale | 39B | 11 | 93.0 | Silver |
| Langmeil Winery | 2022 | Della Mina Sangiovese Barbera | Barossa Valley | 39B | 12 | 83.5 | |
| Reillys | 2020 | Moonvine Sagrantino Sangiovese Shiraz | Clare Valley | 39B | 13 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Reillys | 2021 | Dry Land Sagrantino Sangiovese Shiraz | Clare Valley | 39B | 14 | 84.5 | |
| Calabria Family Wines | 2022 | Alternato Montepulciano Nero D'Avola | Barossa Valley | 39B | 15 | 85.5 | Bronze |
| Zonte's Footstep | 2021 | Canto Montepulciano Sangiovese | Fleurieu | 39B | 16 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Santolin Wines Cosa Nostra | 2020 | Il Capo | Heathcote | 39B | 17 | 85.0 | Bronze |



Purple Hands Wines 2022 Colours of the South Rosso Barossa Valley 39B 18 88.5 Bronze

Class 39B Comments:

A pleasure to judge. Some beautiful fruit planted in the right spots and well managed winemaking and blending.

Class 40: Sweet style wines

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|-------------------|------|-----------------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Cappa Stone Wines | NV | Fragolino | Murray Darling NSW | 40 1 | 0.0 | Not Received |
| Trentham Estate | 2016 | Reserve Noble Taminga | Murray Darling NSW | 40 2 | 89.5 | Bronze |
| Chalmers | 2023 | Appassimento | Heathcote | 40 3 | 85.0 | Bronze |

Class 40 Comments:

Of the two wines shown, the best example had fruit, acid, length and complexity.

Class 41: Fortified wines

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|-------------------------|------|-------------------------|---------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Stanton & Killeen | NV | Classic Topaque | Rutherglen | 41 1 | 90.0 | Silver |
| Billy Button | 2021 | Vermentino Dry Vermouth | Alpine Valleys | 41 2 | 83.0 | |
| Peter Lehmann Wines | 2020 | The King VPT | Barossa Valley | 41 3 | 0.0 | Withdrawn |
| LINO RAMBLE | 2023 | SLY FOX | McLaren Vale | 41 4 | 83.5 | |
| Stanton & Killeen | NV | Grand Topaque | Rutherglen | 41 5 | 89.0 | Bronze |
| Silkwood Estate | NV | Original Zin | Pemberton | 41 6 | 84.0 | |
| Capogreco Winery Estate | 2018 | Crema Apera | North West Victoria | 41 7 | 90.0 | Silver |
| St Hugo | 2023 | Fortified Touriga | Barossa Valley | 41 8 | 84.0 | |

Class 41 Comments:

Some really lovely examples of traditional styles represented. The best of which showed poise, balance of acidity and alcohol, coupled with integrity of style.



Class 42: Wines of Provenance

| | | | | Class # | Score | Medal |
|------------------|------|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| First Drop Wines | 2010 | Forza | Adelaide Hills | 42 1 | 81.0 | |
| Freeman | NV | Secco | Hilltops | 42 2 | 96.0 | Gold |
| Reillys | NV | Dry Land Tempranillo | Clare Valley | 42 3 | 88.0 | Bronze |
| Reillys Wines | 2016 | Dry Land Tempranillo | Clare Valley | 42 4 | 0.0 | Withdrawn |
| Billy Button | NV | 'The Affable' Barbera | Alpine Valleys | 42 5 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Tahbilk | 2016 | "1927 Vines" Marsanne | Nagambie Lakes | 42 6 | 86.5 | Bronze |
| Oliver's Taranga | NV | Fiano | McLaren Vale | 42 7 | 95.0 | Gold |
| Artwine | NV | Fiano | Clare Valley | 42 8 | 93.5 | Silver |
| Reillys | 2023 | Dry Land Tempranillo | Clare Valley | 42 9 | 0.0 | Withdrawn |
| Billy Button | NV | 'The Delinquent' Verduzzo | Alpine Valleys | 42 10 | 90.0 | Silver |

Class 42 Comments:

A wonderful tasting across decades. Great discussion regarding the top wines and the ideas behind provenance. Gold wine brackets displayed consistency of style, and fruit depth. Congratulations to these producers. Top wine proved the test of time- an intriguing and robust 20-year-old, that opened up wonderfully in the glass.