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*Vintage Score best drinking*

### Sauvignon Blanc RR

	2008	85	2008-2012
<b>2010:</b> pale lime, phenolic weight and classic gooseberry and guava citrus nose.	2010	86	2010-2017
<b>2018:</b> pale hue, big green fruit and herb nose, citrus styled, some lees weight and nicely balanced and smooth.	2018	87	2018-2026
<b>2020:</b> brisk, lively and quite light (12.5%alc) yet full of intense asparagus and tinned pea notes, with very dry and tense citrus flavours.	2020	88	2020-2027

### Riesling RR

	2003	83	2003-2010
	2007	82	2007-2012
<b>2010:</b> pale lime, citrus and greengage on the nose, tight zippy acidity behind rich fruit, full and satisfying, needs time.	2010	88	2010-2018
<b>2014:</b> delicate floral nose, hint of botrytis and tactile yellow fruit. Delicious and improving.	2014	88	2016-2026
<b>2016:</b> lots of marmalade and orange peel notes, youthful and zesty and will be terrific.	2016	87	2017-2027
<b>2017:</b> straw hue, weighty nose, ripe fruit oiliness, flinty and floral and layered. Richly stone fruited, elegant yet powerful, delicious. Will improve.	2017	91	2019-2030
<b>2018:</b> classic Riesling nose, hint of petrol, oily damp	2018	92	2020-2031

straw, yellow flowers, silky and rich, yet to show its brilliance.

### **Occasional Off-Dry Riesling**

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**2017:** delightfully bright yet ripe and gently honeyed style, with mineral and citrus tones, round and friendly and with sweetness nicely balanced.

**2017 87 2017-2027**

### **CWG Riesling**

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**2007 87 2007-2018**

### **Tenacity Semillon**

RR

**2014:** lanolin and wet hay notes, lighter than expected and just moderate depth of flavours.

**2014 86 2016-2026**

### **Alchemy Chenin Blanc/Sauvignon Blanc/Semillon**

RR

**2017:** lime burst and fresh yellow fruits with juicy tenacity and some texture, finishing too swiftly.

**2017 86 2017-2026**

### **Doorkeeper Chardonnay**

RR

**2009:** pale hue, creamy oak then zippy acidity with lime and tropical flavours. Still developing.

**2009 88 2010-2017**

**2016:** fresh and forward with wood hint and brisk lemon fruit in a lighter style.

**2016 87 2016-2026**

**2017:** mid straw hue, faint buttery nose but then clean and precise fruit palate, peach, jasmine, orange and summer yellow fruits, delightful.

**2017 92 2018-2028**

<b>2020:</b> bright and tangy, with taut green fruit, racy linear precision and a zesty lemon-lime palate.	<b>2020</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>2020-2028</b>
<b>2021:</b> starts lean and green, with some lime note, then oatmeal and a warmer, softer creamy finish.	<b>2021</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>2021-2028</b>
<b>2022:</b> pretty and restrained with mineral summer fruits, balanced and seamless, but not humble.	<b>2022</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>2022-2028</b>

## Eleanor Chardonnay RRR

<b>2008:</b> creamy nutty nose with real weight. Chewy tannins, solid and serious; it unwinds slowly showing class.	<b>2008</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>2010-2017</b>
<b>2013:</b> oily nose but balanced and fine mango and lime notes opening on the palate, quite layered.	<b>2013</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>2014-2024</b>
<b>2014:</b> mid straw, textured tangy orange peel, pear and even quince, rich and sensual, fabulous.	<b>2014</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>2016-2027</b>
<b>2015:</b> zesty and fresher version , with lemon and lime flavours, pure fruit focus and lovely mouthfeel.	<b>2015</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>2016-2026</b>
<b>2016:</b> intense yellow fruit, quite weighty with lemon and orange impact, long and quite fine.	<b>2016</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>2016-2027</b>

## Alchemy Merlot/Malbec/Cabernet Franc RR

<b>2013:</b> big, black and spicy, but lacking any definition and relying on boldness.	<b>2013</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>2013-2023</b>
<b>2017:</b> intense dark fruited core, luscious and engaging, Malbec seems to add so much, generous and silky.	<b>2017</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>2018-2028</b>

## Merlot RR

<b>2001:</b> tasted at age 17 and still with mint and leaf tomato notes, soft, smooth and velvety.	<b>2001</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>2001-2020</b>
<b>2008:</b> subtle smoky dark cherry with mint and oak nuances and a hint of sour cherry finish. Nice.	<b>2008</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>2009-2018</b>
<b>2012:</b> little fading at age eight, and still fruit driven with	<b>2012</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>2014-2026</b>

strong colour, cherry fruit and seamless balance. Delicious.		
<b>2015:</b> bright cherry red, dusty tannins, easy drinking but with chunky fruited depth.	<b>2015</b>	<b>87</b> <b>2016-2026</b>
<b>2016:</b> some fading at age 3, but still very pretty with rich wild bramble, plum and mulberry, classy and compelling and very seductive.	<b>2016</b>	<b>92</b> <b>2018-2028</b>

## CWG Merlot

<b>2013:</b> full garnet, shy reserved palate, spicy and grippy bite yet to harmonise.	<b>2013</b>	<b>87</b> <b>2013-2024</b>
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## Doorkeeper Merlot/Malbec R

<b>2019:</b> dark grippy fruits, quite sappy initially, with spice and rustic mouthfeel, a winter warmer.	<b>2019</b>	<b>87</b> <b>2019-2027</b>
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## Cabernet Sauvignon/Shiraz R

<b>2009:</b> overt red berry nose with dark spicy tones (hint of malbec) and accessible sweet fruit.	<b>2009</b>	<b>88</b> <b>2010-2017</b>
<b>2011:</b> dark, spicy fruit, very dry, pleasant and clean if short-lived.	<b>2011</b>	<b>87</b> <b>2011-2020</b>
<b>2015:</b> dark and grippy, rather feral and a touch brutish, still needs to settle at three years, will improve.	<b>2015</b>	<b>85</b> <b>2017-2026</b>
<b>2016:</b> soft and smooth, easy-going with gentler tannins and juicy comfort.	<b>2016</b>	<b>86</b> <b>2016-2026</b>
<b>2017:</b> mid-depth and forward, with bright blue fruits, spice and a juicy, but not simple, approach, long and satisfying.	<b>2017</b>	<b>88</b> <b>2018-2027</b>
<b>2018:</b> touch of green on the nose then an untamed, forest bramble note with brusque attack and very dry finish.	<b>2018</b>	<b>86</b> <b>2019-2027</b>
<b>2019:</b> seems more than its 14% alcohol, quite blustery black fruits with grip and spicy dark bite.	<b>2019</b>	<b>87</b> <b>2020-2028</b>

**2020:** initially chunky black fruited, with spice and tannin mouthfeel, but fades quickly.

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**2020 86 2021-2028**

## **Cabernet Sauvignon RR**

**2007:** blood red and purple, smoky cedar and cassis with drying tannins and big fruit. Silky and long.

**2007 90 2008-2017**

**2015:** still firm and withheld, some leaf and cedar with focussed and full layers about to show.

**2015 89 2016-2026**

**2016:** just mid weight, with briary mulberry, raspberry, cassis and feint eucalyptus note, pliant and pretty and slowly reveals its class.

**2016 92 2018-2028**

## **House of Mandela Cabernet Sauvignon RRRR**

**2008:** sweet heavy nose, big and bold but lighter on the palate, more slinky with touch rough edges.

**2008 89 2009-2019**

## **Alchemy Syrah/Cabernet Sauvignon RR**

**2013:** assertively spicy and blackberry fruited, with lots of everything and a winter warmer.

**2013 87 2013-2021**

**2016:** soft, chalky tannins on a comforting, ample wine, with thick dark fruits, mulberry lushness, graphite and easy charm.

**2016 87 2017-2027**

## **Alchemy Syrah/Mourvèdre/Grenache RR**

**2013:** chunky, bold juicy fruit, dark, spicy And assertive. Lots of bramble and sappiness.

**2013 84 2013-2022**

**2017:** stout, bracing and quite hearty, with forward spicy fruit intensity. Perfect winter warmer.

**2017 87 2018-2027**

**Doorkeeper Shiraz/Mourvèdre/Grenache**

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<b>2019:</b> lots of sweet caramel wood, with spice and forest berries, supple and generous but not overly heavy.	<b>2019</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>2019-2028</b>
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**Doorkeeper Shiraz**

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<b>2010:</b> expressive fruity nose but not overly jammy. White pepper and sweet fruit in a pleasing balance.	<b>2010</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>2011-2018</b>
<b>2011:</b> light, refreshing sweet fruit style, clean honest and effective if one dimensional.	<b>2011</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>2011-2018</b>
<b>2012:</b> lozenge-like fruitiness, black scented but lightish bodied. Simple, supple profile.	<b>2012</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>2012-2020</b>
<b>2015:</b> rustic and right for a winter's evening, with dark bramble fruit, if rather unsophisticated.	<b>2015</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>2015-2025</b>
<b>2016:</b> grippy tannins, full of dark fruit and white pepper and spice, not shy.	<b>2016</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>2016-2026</b>
<b>2017:</b> deep purple gloss, bright fruity nose, juicy violets and blackcurrants, accessible and easy to love.	<b>2017</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>2018-2027</b>
<b>2018:</b> lots of soft and fluffy black fruits, very full and generous, some mocha and wood support, easy and accessible.	<b>2018</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>2019-2028</b>
<b>2019:</b> smoky, slightly gamey nose, with spice, subtle wood and tactile dark fruits. A rustic, warm style, feeling more than 14% alcohol.	<b>2019</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>2020-2028</b>
<b>2020:</b> deep and charred, with dusty tannins, spice note, enjoyable and feels more than 14% alcohol, not very memorable.	<b>2020</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>2022-2028</b>

**Shiraz**

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<b>2007:</b> rich and spicy white pepper, all blackberry and sour black cherries with	<b>2007</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>2008-2018</b>
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grippy tannins.		
<b>2009:</b> rich and voluptuous, a touch hot, but lots of meat and mulberry spiciness.	<b>2009</b>	<b>90</b> <b>2010-2022</b>
<b>2015:</b> very New World, with juicy ripe fruit, soft and generous if straightforward.	<b>2015</b>	<b>87</b> <b>2016-2026</b>
<b>2016:</b> deep ruby and tones of white pepper, spice and plum depths, mixed berries and cedar, fine and staying lightish.	<b>2016</b>	<b>90</b> <b>2018-2028</b>

## The Mackenzie

RRRR

<b>2007:</b> quiet pencils and blackcurrant nose then explodes with flavour in the mouth, lush, generous classic style in perfect balance. Very special.	<b>2007</b>	<b>94</b> <b>2009-2021</b>
<b>2015:</b> wood notes and lush cassis and currant flavours, still tight in youth, will improve.	<b>2015</b>	<b>89</b> <b>2017-2028</b>
<b>2016:</b> inky depth, bright berry nose, firm cassis and structure but oozes into silky richness and elegance.	<b>2016</b>	<b>91</b> <b>2018-2029</b>

## The Stork Shiraz

RRRR

<b>2007:</b> damson nose, smoky brambles and fresh, vibrant pristine fruit. Fruit driven and not overly heavy but intense, classy, complex and long.	<b>2007</b>	<b>95</b> <b>2010-2022</b>
<b>2014:</b> opaque hue, intense and powerful but so silky and smooth, caressing the palate with clean fruit depth.	<b>2014</b>	<b>91</b> <b>2016-2028</b>
<b>2015:</b> softer and more approachable in youth than '14, with ripe layered fruit, long and compelling, very classy.	<b>2015</b>	<b>91</b> <b>2016-2029</b>

## CWG Shiraz

<b>2013:</b> opaque, caramel-vanilla nose, rich ripe lingering fruit already balanced and lush.	<b>2013</b>	<b>91</b> <b>2015-2024</b>
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**Gravel Hill Shiraz**

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<b>1997:</b> tasted at 21 years old and still limpid, red fruited, deep and textured, delicious.	<b>1997</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>1998-2020</b>
<b>2005:</b> great colour and clean nose at age 15, some leaf notes but ripe and intense cassis and hedgerow notes, harmonious, complex, remarkable.	<b>2005</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>2007-2030</b>
<b>2006:</b> at 12 years, tertiary notes and tawny rim, smoky and dusty with marmite notes, still formidable and fine.	<b>2007</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>2008-2023</b>
<b>2007:</b> stinky nose revealing full bodied mulberry and plum flavours and red berry highlights.	<b>2008</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>2008-2023</b>
<b>2008:</b> stewed fruit and game nose, intense layered and complex richness in the mouth. Very fine.	<b>2008</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>2009-2030</b>
<b>2009:</b> aromatic and lush with sexy dense fruit and new wood vanilla, still taut at nine years.	<b>2009</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>2010-2028</b>
<b>2010:</b> deep and spicy, with balanced pristine fruit, focussed and seamless and excellent.	<b>2010</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>2011-2026</b>
<b>2011:</b> a leaner and more restrained version than '10, balanced and cerebral a great food wine.	<b>2011</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>2012-2022</b>
<b>2013:</b> very dark with vanilla hint, full body and rich fruit, yet with lacy tannin support and alluring finesse.	<b>2013</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>2014-2028</b>
<b>2014:</b> forward bold fruit over firm dry tannins, quality oak and complex dark fruit nuances, complex and sumptuous.	<b>2014</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>2016-2030</b>

**Noble Late Harvest 375ml RR**

<b>2010:</b> showing Riesling purity and acidity with rich honeyed tones and delightful mouthfeel. A bargain.	<b>2010</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>2010-2018</b>
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