

Jordan Wine Estate

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Hugely popular estate with nice grounds, excellent food, attentive and knowledgeable staff, and wines of consistently good quality and a few superstars.

Vintage Score best drinking

Blanc de Blanc MCC

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2015: green tinge, bright burst of mousse, quite persistent and fine with lemon fresh notes, not overly yeasty, but fresh and vibrant in a lighter style.	2015 87 2015-2024
2016: translucent hue, rapid froth and energetic bubbles, bright apple and lemon notes, not lees heavy.	2016 88 2016-2026

Chameleon Sauvignon Blanc/Chardonnay

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2011: pale colour, bright, zesty nose and crisp acidity in the mouth. Medium weight with overt gooseberries.	2011 81 2011-2016
2016: SO2 hit takes a while to reveal minerally, pungent dry mixed fruit, some citrus, some waxy lemon, hint of leesy tropical notes, mid weighted and brief.	2016 83 2016-2024
2017: a polite and pleasant version, fresh citrus and yellow fruit, enough bite, but unremarkable.	2017 83 2017-2024
2018: more citrus than tropical, and rather attenuated, but nicely round and friendly.	2018 83 2018-2026
2019: quite viscous and with muted tropical hint, enough acidity and some texture, pleasant mineral feel.	2019 85 2019-2027

2020: acceptable mild citrus wine, gentle and subdued, lighter and lacking some character.

2020 85 2020-2026

2021: fresh Sauvignon leads this mixed yellow fruit wine, clean and competent, but unremarkable.

2021 84 2021-2027

Cold Fact Sauvignon Blanc

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2017: watery hue, very dry and steely with subdued fruit and just mid weight.

2017 84 2017-2024

2018: lemon sherbet punch, with acid forefront at present, bright and exuberant yet staying approachable and enjoyable.

2018 88 2019-2026

2019: again, a steely and bright version, lots of lemon and grapefruit with enough fruit for its acidity.

2019 87 2019-2026

The Outliner Sauvignon Blanc

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2008 85 2008-2013

2009: woody nose, green figs and tropical fruit palate, weighty and very dry finish.

2009 86 2009-2013

2010: gold hue, oak hints and weight on palate and tropical fruit overlay.

2010 89 2010-2018

2014: cerebral and textured, with restrained oak which tends to nullify bright fruit.

2014 85 2014-2022

2016: hint of creamy, almost chardonnay nose, oak support on mid weight ripe fruit and mellow finish.

2016 84 2016-2024

2017: feint lime tinge, some cream with green fruit flavours, dry and crisp with a full finish.

2017 86 2017-2025

2018: warmer and heavier than previously, with pretty fruit, creamy oak and gentle fume notes.

2018 87 2018-2026

Sauvignon Blanc Reserve

RR

2008 86 2008-2015

2011: lovely overt nose, green fruits, mid weight with acid grip.	2011	82	2011-2017
2012: pale lime, minerality on nose then zesty bite of green fruit on palate.	2012	86	2012-2018
2014: feels lighter than previous, clean, fresh with softer attack and very pleasant.	2014	84	2014-2020
2016: subtle and with minerality and a hint of tropical fruit, almost shy and introvert.	2016	82	2016-2025

Chenin Blanc Inspector Peringuey RR

	2006	84	2006-2012
	2007	89	2007-2014
2011: hints of vanilla, rich mouthfeel of marzipan, honey and dominant citrus fruits. Firm acidity behind a short, dry finish.	2011	84	2011-2017
2012: light straw with a shy nose but tangy, spicy fruit which lingers.	2012	89	2012-2020
2014: hugely textured, richly flavoured yet stylish wine, delicious now but will improve.	2014	90	2015-2022
2016: still young, but offering overt, crisp apple bite with fuller creamy finish.	2016	87	2017-2025
2017: pale straw, shy nose, cream hint, citrus and stony minerality, expressive and with more to come.	2017	88	2018-2027
2019: pale hue, muted floral nose, dried apple, grapefruit and citrus textured mouthfeel, needs time to show.	2019	90	2021-2028

The Real McCoy Riesling (previously Riesling) RR

	2004	87	2005-2015
	2005	91	2007-2017
	2007	92	2009-2020
	2009	87	2010-2018
2010: attractive colour, intense nose	2010	89	2011-2020

suggesting weight, flavours of lime and citrus, off dry but with grippy acidity, needs time to open.			
2012: shy presently but hints of magical lemony florality to come. Beautiful balance and elegance.	2012	91	2013-2024
2014: floral, gentle sweetness, some layered flavours but too young to judge.	2014	89	2015-2026
2015: shade richer, still youthfull, but with reliable depth and interest to come. A great wine.	2015	89	2016-2030
2016: rich and unctuous, with lovely oily weight, clean fruit, great balance and promise of future greatness.	2016	91	2018-2030
2017: green tinge, overt and bright nose with petrol nuance, tangy and full with lip-smacking brightness and a nicely weighted finish. Will improve.	2017	91	2019-2031
2018: green sheen with a fruity, lime punch nose, viscous and weighty with yellow fruit, not overly crisp, but fuller and lovely.	2018	89	2019-2030
2022: very floral and prettily perfumed, quite ripe and punchy yet nicely lightfooted.	2022	89	2023-2031

Unoaked Chardonnay

RR

	2009	76	2009-2012
2011: subdued nose, touch steely, fresh, tropical fruit with lean acid support, undemanding.	2011	79	2011-2017
2012: straw hue, then expressive citrus all around with hints of tropical fruit in a light touch.	2012	87	2012-2018
2014: citrus freshness attack then rich leesy warmth and some complexity. Shows promise.	2014	89	2014-2022
2017: pale hue, overt lemon green fruit nose and peach warmth on finish.	2017	86	2017-2025
2018: lighter styled and needing time to settle, but showing bright lemony orange fruit, precision and clean charm.	2018	89	2020-2027

2019: lighter feel with clean and bright floral notes and lemony-citrus fruit, doesn't linger.	2019	87	2019-2027
2020: quite substantial, with obvious lees mealy notes, mixed yellow fruits and a dry, muted finish.	2020	88	2020-2028

Barrel Fermented Chardonnay RR

	2007	83	2007-2014
	2008	90	2009-2016
	2009	88	2009-2017
2010: oaky nose, buttery and with fresh toast aromas. Nice mouthfeel and long, nutty finish.	2010	86	2010-2017
2011: oak forward at present, but lots of sweet soft tropical fruit coming through.	2011	90	2011-2018
2014: full bodied, richly fruited with peach and tropical fruits, lingering and satisfying.	2014	89	2014-2022
2016: rich and full, needing time to lose some oak presence, but will be impressive.	2016	87	2016-2026
2017: mid weight, round mouthfeel, herby and savoury grip, finishing dry.	2017	85	2017-2027
2018: toasty wood nose then piercing yellow fruits, finishing with creamy, softer note, very nice.	2018	90	2019-2028

CWG Chardonnay

2014: feminine, silky yet full-flavoured and with rich green and yellow fruits.	2014	90	2014-2028
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Nine Yards Chardonnay RRR

2006: tasted at 8 years, still huge, driven by oak with rich fruit supporting, deep gold hue.	2006	88	2006-2019
	2007	90	2009-2017
	2008	93	2010-2020

	2009 90 2010-2019
2010: deep gold, buttery, rich nose, spicy butterscotch with mineral underlay then waves of peachy fruit.	2010 91 2012-2024
2015: full and mouthfilling, with prominent oak needing to settle but with real potential.	2015 90 2016-2027
2016: mid straw hue, wood and cream and yellow fruit nose, smells rich, tangy layered palate with some elegance needing time to unwind, will improve.	2016 91 2018-2029
2017: gold hue, creamy nose then much brighter, precise fruit and less oak seemingly than previously. A fruit driven lighter style with alluring pristine fruit complexity. Will improve still.	2017 92 2020-2031
2018: granular oak backbone, oatmeal, then expressive orange peel, peach and nectarine fruits, layered and exotic with real class. Wonderful.	2018 94 2020-2032

Chameleon Rosé

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2011: pale pink, dry strawberry fruit nose, pleasant and thirst quenching.	2011 80 2011-2015
2014: rose hips and summer berry nose, huge across the mid palate and finishes nicely dry.	2014 85 2014-2019
2015: bright and crunchy with red berry fruit. Pleasant and easy-going.	2015 83 2015-2020
2018: certainly not shy, this lurid cherry-red dry wine has chunky red berry punch and some weight.	2018 82 2018-2024

Chameleon Merlot

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2015: bottle sediment and deep ruby-black hue point to a serious wine, with bitter hedgerow black fruits, dark cherry then a supple and surprisingly light finish.	2015 86 2017-2026
2016: dark fruited and earthy, but more delicate than '15, with finer perfume and red fruit input, still full-on and	2016 85 2016-2026

dark fruited.

2017: bold and juicy, with dark red berry bite, sprightly and with generous fruit, brief and straightforward.	2017	84	2018-2026
2018: darkly tinted with a deep fruited punch, lots of solid bitter cherry and damson notes, bold and uncompromising.	2018	86	2019-2027

Chameleon Red Blend

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2018: rich smoky oak nose with red berry warmth then lush clean layered fruit with supple wood tannins, terrific value.	2018	91	2019-2028
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Chameleon Cabernet Sauvignon / Merlot

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	2007	87	2007-2012
2009: mid plum, juicy berry fruit with blackcurrants. Touch lightweight.	2009	81	2009-2015
2015: dark and with a rustic, natural grip and bramble summer attractiveness. Easy-going and satisfying.	2015	84	2016-2026
2016: pleasant and satisfying dark berry mouthful, with easy-going tannins and simple fruit profile.	2016	80	2016-2024
2019: lowish (13%) alcohol on this spicy dark fruited wine, vanilla sweet wood and effective if unremarkable palate.	2019	85	2019-2027

Black Magic Merlot

RR

	2006	91	2007-2016
	2007	90	2008-2017
2009: deep hue, vibrant charry plum fruit. Lighter weight style touch disappointing.	2009	87	2010-2017
2010: lovely deep, spicy plum fruit with grippy tannins and a rich, black cherry finish. Delicious.	2010	91	2011-2022

2012: creamy deep soft fruit opens to a bitter cherry finish with dry bite and oak influence.	2012	87	2012-2023
2014: big and bold with lush oak and deep flavours, needs time to be terrific.	2014	89	2014-2024
2015: still closed with dusty dry bite, then opening to ripe soft fruit – needs more time.	2015	86	2017-2028
2017: charred oak sweet nose, very ripe dark red fruit, stylish, lush and attractive.	2017	90	2018-2029

Long Fuse Cabernet Sauvignon RR

	2006	92	2008-2019
	2007	90	2009-2018
	2008	87	2009-2017
2009: complex fruit nose, blackberry and wood. Silky and elegant yet punchy and with a dry, dusty finish.	2009	90	2011-2020
2012: full-on style, dusty oak, spicy dark cassis fruit all mulberry and plum, finishing quite smooth.	2012	90	2013-2024
2014: full and fleshy, with dark mulberry and supportive oak. Will be even better.	2014	90	2015-2027
2015: deep garnet with cigar box and blue fruit nose, mulberry fullness on the palate, plums and generosity.	2015	90	2017-2028
2017: big and boldly fruited ripe and juicy, lots of cassis notes, already approachable and quite classy.	2017	89	2020-2030

Cobblers Hill RRR

	1999	91	2001-2016
2003: tasted at 14yrs, still with rich fruit, but more elegant, balanced and quite delicious.	2003	95	2006-2020
	2005	96	2008-2023

	2006	88	2007-2018
2007: lustrous shine, cassis and pencil shavings notes then black cherry fruit. Mouthfilling but not overly heavy.	2007	91	2009-2019
2009: consistent class, elegant and layered rather than blockbuster style, a touch green with ripe tannins. Subtle and sophisticated.	2009	91	2011-2022
2012: lush fruit, complex and effulgent, lots of cassis and hedgerow blue fruits, quality oak, balanced and stylish.	2012	93	2015-2027
2013: smooth and balanced, with classy oak nicely supporting. Rich and satisfying.	2013	92	2015-2026
2014: stewed, tertiary hints on nose, then lashings of classy sweet fruit, restrained but hinting at complexity.	2014	90	2016-2028
2015: garnet plum depths, dark mixed fruits, serious and earthy, then stylish smooth mouthfeel, hint of spice and dark chocolate, fine tannins and length.	2015	93	2018-2030

Syrah

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	2004	92	2006-2015
	2006	91	2008-2018

The Prospector Syrah

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2008: opaque, vanilla and fynbos aromas with a spicy, peppery mid weight palate. Lacks a touch of complexity.	2008	90	2010-2019
2009: huge aromas, brooding and rich with structure and clean fruit. Real class.	2009	92	2011-2022
2013: more approachable, still deep plum and spicy notes, but refined and with character.	2013	88	2013-2023
2014: full bodied yet already silky smooth and mouth filling. Quality fruit based.	2014	88	2015-2026

2015: lovely bramble nose, pepper and spice and lush seductive fruit, needing time.	2015	89	2017-2028
2016: garnet red hue, pungent earthy and sweetly red fruited nose, just mid weight and silky fruit driven not spicy style.	2016	90	2017-2029
2017: glossy purple depth, musky nose then lovely oak balanced plum and currant notes, dusty tannins and elegant throughout.	2017	91	2018-2029

The Sophia

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2012: dusty oak nose, fruit forward palate, dry grippy finish. Still evolving.	2012	89	2012-2021
2013: mid garnet, big and ripe nose, smooth and intense fruit, powerful but with classy restraint and focus, long cedar and cassis finish.	2013	92	2015-2028
2014: deep red plum gloss with slight rim colour change, shy nose, dark red berry fruits, wood hint, leaf note and layered, classy richness, silky smooth and refined.	2014	93	2016-2030

Mellifera NLH 375m

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	2008	93	2010-2020
2011: peach and dried apricot nose, delicate honey hints on a light and clean palate. Elegant, pervading flavours.	2011	89	2012-2021

