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*Vintage Score best drinking*

### Ladybird Sauvignon Blanc R

<b>2017:</b> very pale with overt tropical and green fruit notes, good impact but fades quickly.	<b>2017 84 2017-2024</b>
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### Chenin Blanc R

	<b>2008 86 2008-2012</b>
<b>2010:</b> light gold, tangy marzipan and green fruits. Simple and enjoyable.	<b>2010 84 2010-2017</b>
<b>2015:</b> slightly muddled palate, full and fleshy, but lacking definition.	<b>2015 84 2015-2025</b>
<b>2016:</b> mid weight, still closed, hints of apple and with grip, will improve.	<b>2016 83 2016-2026</b>

### Ladybird Chenin Blanc R

<b>2016:</b> classic Chenin crunchy apples with sandpaper texture and some depth.	<b>2016 85 2017-2023</b>
<b>2019:</b> overt perfumed nose, quite Muscat-like, with very crisp, iron-bright backbone, fruity but brief.	<b>2019 86 2019-2025</b>

## Chenin Blanc Sur Lie

RR

<b>2019:</b> clean fruit nose and lees rich palate, exploding with focussed lemon, orange peel and lime flavours which linger deliciously. Will improve in score with time.	<b>2019</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>2021-2029</b>
<b>2020:</b> laden with phenolic richness, deeply fruited, classic stone fruit, mealies and dried honey notes, utterly delicious.	<b>2020</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>2022-2030</b>

## Ladybird White

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	<b>2008</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>2008-2012</b>
<b>2011:</b> pale hue, perfumed stone fruits then soft and creamy with nice weight.	<b>2011</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>2011-2015</b>
<b>2014:</b> lively stone fruits and invisible wood influence make this charming and easy-going.	<b>2014</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>2014-2022</b>
<b>2016:</b> mid straw hue, tangy sweetly fruited, quite rich and with interesting harmony of varieties.	<b>2016</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>2016-2025</b>
<b>2017:</b> almost invisible wood supports a highly aromatic, peach, jasmine and pear scented wine, attractive and harmonious, if short lived.	<b>2017</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>2017-2026</b>
<b>2018:</b> pale hued, hint of smoke over yellow stone fruit, quite weighty and nicely textured.	<b>2018</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>2019-2027</b>
<b>2020:</b> forward tropical fruit nose, fruity and quite rich, hint of cream on the palate with balanced acidity and pleasant mouthfeel.	<b>2020</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>2020-2028</b>

## Ladybird Rosé

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<b>2017:</b> enjoyable and straightforward, gentle strawberry and currant dry feel and a nice finish.	<b>2017</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>2017-2024</b>
<b>2018:</b> pale salmon look, dry and crisp with red berry attack, rather short and too brief.	<b>2018</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>2018-2025</b>
<b>2019:</b> plush cherry and red berry fruited, smells sweet but nicely crunchy dry, confected and	<b>2019</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>2019-2026</b>

easy-going.

## Lucky Bug

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**2009:** light depth, shy nose then bright, grippy fruit; spicy and chewy and quite drying.

**2009 83 2009-2017**

## Pinot Noir

RR

**2013:** still glossy though delicately pale, dusty red berry fruit, quite tight and firm and with a lightness of touch. Nicely elegant.

**2013 87 2014-2022**

## Merlot

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**2007 89 2007-2014**

**2010:** sweet cherry nose, light style with fresh fruit and acid lift, shortish on the palate.

**2010 84 2010-2017**

**2016:** sinewy and full bodied, with slowly revealing dark plum and herb richness. A very good wine.

**2016 88 2017-2027**

**2017:** plummy depths, big nose, very easy and forward with wood spice, damson and earthy notes.

**2017 88 2019-2028**

## Claypot Merlot

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**2006 90 2007-2015**

**2015:** seductive and silky, opaque and with dense mulberry and spicy layers, opening slowly.

**2015 91 2016-2028**

## Red Ladybird

RR

**2007 89 2009-2018**

**2009:** touch more savoury, but still with

**2009 88 2009-2018**

dark fruit, dusty tannins and grippy oak.

<b>2010:</b> mellow nose, chary dark fruit of stewed red berries. Very quaffable.	<b>2010</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>2010-2017</b>
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<b>2017:</b> opaque depth and a shy but serious nose, lots of layered mixed berry fruits, brooding and chunky.	<b>2017</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>2018-2027</b>
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## Pinotage

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	<b>2007</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>2009-2018</b>
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<b>2010:</b> heavy, big nose of liquorice and violets then juicy, full bodied fruit, sweet, enticing and delicate at the finish.	<b>2010</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>2011-2019</b>
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<b>2015:</b> bright and juicy purple fruited, ripe and juicy and easy-drinking.	<b>2015</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>2016-2026</b>
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<b>2016:</b> lighter style whole bunch fruitiness, blueberries and briar notes, supple and satisfying.	<b>2016</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>2018-2027</b>
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<b>2017:</b> very deeply hued with banana hint dark fruits, ripe and full and very smooth, easy to like.	<b>2017</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>2018-2028</b>
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## Cabernet Sauvignon

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<b>2006:</b> lovely developed nose and some brick edging, textured, interesting fruit, classic and stylish.	<b>2006</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>2008-2018</b>
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<b>2015:</b> deep garnet, soft fruit lushness with a spice and wood hint, nicely balanced.	<b>2015</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>2016-2027</b>
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<b>2018:</b> glossy health with dry, almost rustic feel but tannins and fruit in harmony and definitely balanced, integrated and very classy.	<b>2018</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>2019-2029</b>
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	<b>2006</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>2009-2018</b>
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<b>2008:</b> mid colour, blackcurrant and vanilla oak with grippy tannins. Precise, elegant	<b>2008</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>2010-2020</b>
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yet rich, savoury and drinking beautifully  
in 2015.

<b>2016:</b> inky purple with a serious nose of oak and blue forest fruits, soft and rich, quite sophisticated and combining elegance with power.	<b>2016 93 2019-2029</b>
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## Natural Sweet R

<b>2017:</b> pale and shy and quite light weighted, orange and peach, clean and precise and perfect chilled.	<b>2017 86 2017-2026</b>
<b>2018:</b> delightfully nimble and unsticky, with orange rind and quince notes, honeyed and beautifully balanced.	<b>2018 91 2019-2028</b>