

Lanzerac Wine Estate

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Vintage Score best drinking

Blanc de Blanc Brut MCC RR

NV: rich straw hue, delicate and persistent mousse, full bodied and rich with fine and clean fruit, terrific.

NV 90 1-8 years

Sauvignon Blanc RR

2010: watery hue, crisp lemon notes, zesty and mid weight if a touch plain and short.

2010 84 2010-2017

2013: weighty and rich, this is more expressive and full of juicy fruit and acid grip. A step up.

2013 87 2013-2019

2017: watery hue, mid weight, tropical notes, rather edgy.

2017 84 2017-2024

2018: mineral, citrus nose, flinty notes, dry yellow stone fruit clarity, finishing very dry.

2018 87 2018-2026

2019: less fruity than '18, with grapefruit, gooseberry and green citrus tones, not too crisp and nicely precise.

2019 87 2019-2027

2020: warmer and fuller than the '19, with gentle stone fruit notes, friendly acidity and nice weight.

2020 88 2020-2028

Alma Mata White RR

2013: pale lemon hue, with zippy fresh bite opening on back palate but finishing tart.	2013	78	2013-2020
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Chenin Blanc R

2017: pale and dry, with delicious savoury texture, apple and citrus fruit.	2017	86	2017-2025
2018: wood textured feel, light orange and lemon peel then richer exotic flavours, needs time to show.	2018	89	2020-2028
2019: soft green fruit salad with sliced green apple, lots of structure and finishing with kiwi and a creamy hint.	2019	88	2019-2028
2020: oxidised style, tinted and rich, full of dried orange peel, breadcrumbs and lees, very delicious.	2020	91	2020-2029

Chardonnay RR

2011: vanilla and honey nose with obvious oak, sweet tropical notes, should settle and improve.	2011	87	2011-2018
2016: pale straw, lots of malo creaminess and wood hint, rich but astringent finish.	2016	86	2016-2025
2017: mid straw hue, lots of bright tangerine and orange fruit, easy and competent.	2017	86	2017-2026
2018: terroir driven Chenin-like texture and savoury herb note, then white pear, faintly tropical Chardonnay mid, noteworthy and compelling.	2018	89	2018-2028
2020: fruit pith and wet grass nose then orange peel and stone fruits, followed by creamy weight, full and lingering.	2020	90	2020-2028

Mrs English Chardonnay RRRR

2016: big oak, big fruit, rich full body, creamy and with	2016	93	2017-2027
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mineral stone crispness.			
2017: brooding nose with sappy oak behind textured and tangy yellow fruits and herb base, long and profound and full of character.	2017	93	2018-2028
2018: gold shine and a weighty, woody nose, then orange rind and yellow fruits and damp pebbles, tangy and compelling.	2018	93	2019-2029
2019: full and luscious yet with such focussed and precise yellow fruits, the layers unfold with persistence, delicious.	2019	92	2020-2029

Alma Mata Rosé

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2011: light salmon, very shy nose, ripe strawberry in a just off-dry style with some substance.	2011	84	2011-2017
2013: rich and with considerable weight and impact. Juicy dryish fruit to match most occasions.	2013	84	2013-2019
2017: pale pink, sweet fruit nose, very dry, pleasant finish.	2017	84	2017-2024
2019: the merest hint of colour, a shy nose then ripe and very dry red berry mix which seems sweeter and has an easy finish.	2019	85	2019-2025
2020: again, so pale, and feeling lighter than '19, a fruity nose, lots of mixed red berries, dry and pleasant.	2020	86	2020-2026

Merlot

RR

2010: sweet cherry nose with oak notes, medium weight, ripe dark blackberries and plums with hint of charring.	2010	85	2011-2017
2013: savoury dry, dusty bite then rich fruit, bitter cherry and mixed fruits finishing quickly.	2013	84	2013-2022
2015: rich and dusty notes, a touch hot, full bodied and satisfying.	2015	87	2015-2026
2016: firm and dry with juicy blue fruits and plum,	2016	87	2016-2027

Spicy and lush softness.

2019: very deeply hued with a bright berry nose, some grip behind juicy damson and dark fruit medley.	2019	90	2020-2028
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Pinotage

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	2003	88	2005-2018
2010: bright nose, mid depth, dusty grippy tannins over expressive young fruit. Chocolate and cherries.	2010	86	2011-2018
2011: inky hue with oaky nose then deep and rich silky fruit with muscles.	2011	91	2012-2021
2013: dry, oaky texture, fruit hidden presently, subtle should improve.	2013	84	2013-2023
2015: firm blue fruited, dusty tannins, a bit extracted, with bold flavours.	2015	87	2015-2026
2016: tight and attentive, with blueberries and a warm, gentle mouthfeel, quite generous.	2016	87	2016-2027
2017: deep purple gloss, lovely nose, ripe but grippy mouthfeel, dusty plums and blackcurrants with earthy hint.	2017	89	2018-2028
2018: ruby-mauve gloss and a bold earthy nose then ripe and sweet dark fruits, rich mulberry and currants, forward and full.	2018	91	2019-2029

Pioneer Pinotage

RRRR

2012: deeply hued, brooding nose then big, rich fruit flavours, compelling and layered, lingering and silky.	2012	92	2013-2025
2015: dark and intense with forest floor and plums, sweet fruit, subtle and elegant.	2015	91	2016-2028
2017: inky glossy depths with a sweet dark fruit nose, smooth and subtle layers, nicely balanced and staying bright and fresh.	2017	92	2019-2029
2018: floral nose with lavender and violets, then	2018	96	2020-2030

generous silky fruit core, velvet tannins, complexity and length, absolutely stunning.

Cabernet Sauvignon RR

2010: lighter style subdued dark raspberries and dry blue fruit , pleasant, approachable if lacking personality.	2010	85	2010-2018
2012: smooth and nicely balanced, with rich juicy fruit in a pleasing style.	2012	85	2012-2022
2014: cassis notes forward, deep plum attack, rather closed in 2016.	2014	88	2014-2026
2015: glossy hue, fruity and lush but tannins are still firm and oak still has bite.	2015	86	2016-2026
2016: has an edge demanding consideration, cassis and sweet fruit, vanilla hint and dry finish.	2016	88	2017-2027
2017: dry and grippy tannins, bold and forward with dark plums and spice, quite lip-smacking.	2017	88	2019-2029

Syrah RRR

2015: inky depth, with white pepper notes, plum and richly bodied, hints of cassis, needs time.	2015	90	2016-2028
2016: forward and fruity, with juicy plum and blackberry flavours, white pepper hint, quite lush.	2016	89	2017-2028
2017: inky depths, forward serious violets on the nose and bold intense bramble fruit core, fleshy and lovely.	2017	92	2018-2029

Le General RRRR

2014: leafy herb development, rich but also restrained and Old world, firm acid and savoury fruit.	2014	91	2016-2028
2015: very pretty nose, briary lavender, somewhat stewed, then wood tannins, grippy and dry and rather tough.	2015	90	2018-2028

2016: opaque with a reticent nose then savoury and
dry wood and hedgerow fruits, expansive and long,
balanced and cerebral.

2016 93 2018-2028

2017: lush and warming, with full plummy fruits, enough
acidity to balance and wood for structure, taut in youth,
another belter.

2017 91 2018-2029