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Lindsay himself is always on hand and doesn't just offer a tasting but a real learning (in a fun way) experience. The building has a rough and unpretentious feel and this is how a winemaker wants you to enjoy his wines. Well worth a visit.

Vintage Score best drinking

Broken Stone Sauvignon Blanc R

2009: green fruit nose, lots of extract and dense	2009	85	2009-2016
gooseberry and passion fruit flavours.			

Whimsy Sauvignon Blanc R

2017: light and with fresh green fruit, pleasant	2017	82	2017-2022
and honest.			

Broken Stone White R

2020: a pale green tint to this pungent, slightly	2020	87	2020-2026
subdued lemony wine, earthy, mineral and soft,			
less precise.			

Chardonnay RR

2009: buttery nose but with bracing acidity to	2009	85	2009-2013
match, Burgundian style with mealies and			
fruit.			
2017: bright and breezy with pineapple and	2017	84	2017-2023

Broken Stone Rosé R

2019: pale copper tinge, softened and reserved	2019	85	2019-2025
strawberry and cherry note, soft and mild, easy			
drinking.			

Broken Stone Red R

2019: mid depth with overt juicy fruit nose, forward	2019	86	2019-2026
and with some spice, blackcurrant and pine note,			
very friendly.			

Lindsay's Whimsy R

2010: mocha, burnt coffee and sour cherry	2010	83	2010-2015
nose, sweet fruit palate, easy drinking and			
pleasant.			
2011: fruity and easy, with dark fruit medley	2011	84	2011-2020
and hint of wood.			
2017: lots of approachable, juicy dark fruits,	2017	82	2017-2023
easy-going and nicely balanced.			

Merlot RR

2004: subtle, dark nose, savoury marmite and	2004	86	2004-2012
raison fruit palate. Real character.			
2008: medium depth, some development herbs	2008	88	2010-2020
and earth, fruity driven, almost juicy accessibility.			

Broken Stone Pinotage R

2011: stewed fruit nose, lots of plums and currants	2011	86	2013-2023

with tertiary, game notes of age and slight rim fade.
Still fruity, though.

Pinotage RR

2007: hint of game, leaner, but still full of	2007	87	2008-2027
classy, nicely balanced fruit and fine tannins,			
very good.			
2008: some fading at ten years, a touch of date and	2008	87	2010-2022
port aromas, forest floor and oak, offering some			
class still.			

Cabernet Sauvignon / Merlot RR

	2006	88	2007-2017
2007: rich, dark fruit with hints of forest. Smoky	2007	88	2008-2017
notes, full of extract and opulent.			
2008: mint note, cassis and blue fruits, supple	2008	87	2010-2020
and with some depth.			

Broken Stone Cabernet Sauvignon R

2007: mid depth, red berry and mocha nose	2007	87	2008-2017
with spicy liquorice palate. Lots of life left.			
2011: very fruity nose, cassis and mint note, tobacco	2011	86	2012-2024
sinew and a leafy finish, a good food match.			

Cabernet Sauvignon RR

2006: lean and muscular yet elegant and	2006	88	2007-2017
precise, still with supportive tannins and			
fruit quality.			

Broken Stone Shiraz

2006: some visible ageing, leafy earthy notes	2006	87	2007-2017
with raspberry and cloves and showing fruit			
persistence.			
2007: still good at 11 years, with clean	2007	85	2008-2020
dark fruit, soft and spicy, still bold and long.			

Shiraz RR

	2003	80	2003-2010
2004: little ageing, still dense and with rich	2004	86	2005-2019
mulberry stewed fruit aromas. Pepper and			
forest, muscular and satisfying.			
2007: deep red and black cherry notes but also	2007	87	2008-2023
very oaky, touches of mint, pepper and mulberries,			
still fresh behind wood tannins.			

Reserve Noble Late Harvest 375m RR

2007: luminous gold, apricots and orange peel	2007	93	2008-2017
nose, unctuous flavours, rich but not cloying,			
totally delightful.			