

NEWSLETTER

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The 14th Edition of the Liberty Liquors Tasting Panel Newsletter is here! And after huge interest in the last newsletter we were really excited to get our judges back together to put together another top 12 recommended wines for you.

We reached out to our suppliers and producers with the strong intent to present the best value and quality reds to warm us this winter.

All wines were blind tasted and scored based on colour, aroma, and taste.

We hope you enjoy these as much as our expert panel did! Santé!

HOWARD PARK WINES 'SCOTSDALE' SHIRAZ 2022

Great! Southern, Shiraz!

Unanimously selected as the top wine of the day. This shiraz is crafted from select sites in the WA's Great Southern region, it captures the region's hallmark cool-climate intensity. Richly concentrated dark fruits lead the charge—think black cherry and plum—layered with subtle spice, earthy undertones. It's a beautifully poised wine that balances power and precision, showcasing why Frankland River Shiraz continues to impress serious wine lovers.





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FRANKLAND ESTATE SHIRAZ 2022

Certified Organic and delicious!

Another elegant expression of Frankland River Shiraz, this vintage opens with vibrant aromas of plum, cherry, and a touch of black pepper and spice. The palate is savoury and textured, with herbaceous undertones, balanced use and presence of oak, and a long finish. Refined and beautifully balanced, it's a cool-climate Shiraz that delivers poise, depth, and drinkability in equal measure.







ROBERT OATLEY SIGNATURE GSM 2020

Well balanced!

This vibrant Southern McLaren Vale blend brings together 60% Grenache, 35% Shiraz, and 5% Mourvèdre in perfect harmony. Grenache leads with juicy macerated red fruits and a touch of musk, Shiraz provides depth and structure, while Mourvèdre adds savoury, gamey complexity and a touch of minerality. Aged for six months in French oak, it's a beautifully balanced, medium-bodied red that's both generous and refined. Excellent on its own, even better with a hearty winter dish.







GRENACHE

FABER GRENACHE 2024

Swan Valley Treasure!

From reputable and long time Swan Valley producer Faber comes one of our all time favourite Grenaches. Immediately expressive with lifted red cherry and raspberry aromatics. The palate is medium-bodied but full of juicy, primary fruit. It's the kind of wine you can enjoy lightly chilled, perfect for barbecues or a pizza night. A must have for any fan of Grenache!







IRONCLOUD 'ROCK OF SOLITUDE' PURPLE PATCH GSM 2022

Fantastic Ferguson Wine!

From the heart of the Ferguson Valley comes this beautifully poised GSM, offering a delicate yet layered expression of the blend. Juicy cherries and raspberries shine through, supported by fine tannins and a lively thread of ripe fruit that gives the wine its lift and charm. With its brilliant violet hue and vibrant fruit profile, this is a fresh, medium-bodied red that's as graceful as it is satisfying. Ironcloud always punches well above its weight and we're glad to see another one of their wines has enticed our judges!











TURKEY FLAT **BUTCHER'S BLOCK GSM 2023**

Sensational!

A true Barossa gem. this Grenache. Shiraz, and Mataro blend from the historic Schulz family pays tribute to their roots in both wine and early butcher trade. Sourced from the original Turkey Flat vineyards with vines dating back to the 1800s, it delivers impressive depth and ripe. dark fruit concentration. Rich, layered, and beautifully balanced with integrated oak, this is a bold yet refined GSM that honours its past while drinking beautifully today.





REMHOOGTE CHRONICLE CAPE **BLEND 2021**

S.A. All Day!

All the way from S.A., this wine is smooth, balanced, and versatile. This Cape Blend impressed us with its balance of polish and personality. On the nose, there's a vibrant mix of dark berries, violets and a touch of savoury spice - black cherry, plum, and a little herbal lift. The palate is smooth and juicy, with generous fruit up front. The blend really works here, with Pinotage adding earth, Syrah bringing spice, and Merlot softening it all out. A well rounded wine suited for any occasion.





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CREDARO KINSHIP **CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2022**

Kin-g Cabernet!

From a well regarded and loved Margaret River winery this Cabernet shows a deep ruby hue with a vibrant purple edge. The wine opens with rich aromas of dark berries, bay leaf, and subtle oak spice. On the palate, it's bright and supple, delivering juicy blackcurrant and cherry flavours. with a touch of vanilla and dried herbs adding complexity. Medium-bodied and balanced, the wine finishes with ripe fruit and a fresh, lingering savoury note. Perfect for enjoying now with grilled meats or pasta dishes.



WIRRA WIRRA CHURCH BLOCK **GRENACHE SHIRAZ 2024**

Take me to Church!

Wirra Wirra is synonymous with the Australian wine industry so it's no surprise their wine please the palates of our expert panellists. From the first smell, this wines aromas welcomes you with vibrant red fruits and soft floral aromas, layered with gentle nuances of white pepper. It's lively and medium-bodied, bursting with juicy pomegranate, cherries, and ripe plum, all lifted by a delicate floral notes. A real crowd-pleaser that's easy to enjoy anytime.











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TENUTA ULISSE **MONTEPULCIANO** D'ABRUZZO 2022

Viva Italia!

We love when our suppliers throw in some imports, especially when they really deliver in quality. From the sun-soaked vinevards of Abruzzo in central Italy, this wine offers rich blackberry and black cherry aromas with subtle caramel and dark chocolate hints. It delivers a round. generous mouthfeel, balancing juicy fruit with bright freshness. A long, satisfying finish makes it perfect alongside hearty Italian dishes or slow-cooked meats. Well-structured and approachable.



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Moreish!

A lovely little winter warmer, this wine hits you with ripe, juicy blackcurrant and purple fruits right away, with hints of blueberry and stewed rhubarb, plus a surprising touch of cooked beetroot adding some earthiness. A nice layer of spice keeps things interesting, while the oak shows up softly with cigar box and leather notes. It's rich and inviting, a wine that makes you want to keep coming back for another sip.





TAR & ROSES **SHIRAZ 2024**

Smell the roses!

Dark cherry and fennel lead the nose, backed by roasted beetroot and a flicker of spice. The palate is juicy and lavered with notes of plum, liquorice and earthy undertones. Tannins are smooth. and the finish is savoury with a gentle warmth. A thoughtful Heathcote Shiraz, perfect when you're after something with presence but not fuss.











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