

Tasting Notes August 2005

Pinot Gris 2004

This is a complex white wine which engages the palate with a cascade of intense flavours and a lingering finish. This wine has an inviting bouquet of hazelnut, pear, almond and citrus which leads seamlessly onto a full-bodied palate with a flavour mix of pear, honey and spice.

\$22/bottle

Sauvignon Blanc Semillon 2004

Produced from fruit grown on 33 year old vines, this wine displays a complex bouquet of guava, gooseberry, floral and lime notes. The palate is lively, has excellent weight and persistence and displays an abundance of ripe tropical and citrus flavours.

\$22/bottle

Rosé 2004

This wine blends frivolity with complexity. The fresh fruit character of pinot noir has been retained and complemented by some lovely barrel fermentation characters. This wine suits relaxed lunchtimes in the sun with good friends.

\$18/bottle

Vin Gris 2004

This luscious blanc de noir (white from red) wine is created from the finest Geelong pinot noir grapes. The pale juice extracted gently from these red grapes has been fermented in oak by wild yeast. Careful maturation on lees has produced a wine with a rose gold colour, a yeasty aroma perfumed by seductive ripe pinot noir characters. These exotic aromas engage seamlessly with a palate that is both creamy and textured with a soft lingering finish.

\$22/bottle

Zinfandel 2003

The first vintage of this capricious and complex grape. This wine displays aroma of redcurrant, briar and spice which precedes a palate that displays complex berry flavours with spicy and savoury overtones.

\$28/bottle

Fathers Day Four Pack features one bottle of each of the following October release wines:

\$98/box (RRP \$109)

2004 Shiraz

This wine displays a deep cherry red colour with a powerful bouquet of pepper, spice and blackberry. The palate is intense and complex characterised by ripe dark cherry, spice, licorice and pepper which is complemented by judicious use of selected French oak. The wine is supported by a tight acid backbone and fine tannins. Should develop well over the next 2-5 years.

2004 Merlot

Our 2004 Merlot is a beautifully elegant wine. Made using "Amarone" techniques (drying grapes before fermentation) this wine exhibits an dense aroma of dark berry, earth, black olives and spice. These flavours follow through on the palate which displays great depth, weight, complexity and length. This wine can be enjoyed now for its youthful characters, or will reward the patient.

2003 Pinot Noir

Made from estate grown fruit from vines yielding less than 1.0 tonnes/acre, there is precious little of this intense and powerful wine. An intense bouquet of cherry and spice which leads into a sweet cherry, briar flavoured palate with hints of clove. This wine has excellent palate weight, a silky mouthfeel and fine integrated tannins.

2004 Ménage a Noir

The fruit for the 2004 Lethbridge Ménage a Noir Geelong Regional Pinot Noir is sourced from four vineyards, one from each of the sub regions of the Geelong GI. This wine displays the all the hallmarks of a Lethbridge Wines Pinot Noir. It has an intense spicy, cherry nose silky mid palate and good mouthfeel. A very approachable wine in the next year but will develop further complexities over the next 2 years