

2024 Western Victorian Wine Challenge



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WINE CHALLENGE

01

Sparkling Wine - Red or White

Judges: Steven Paul, Mark Hickin, Ben Ranken, Mark Sunczyk

Comments: yeast complexity, freshness and balanced dosage rewarded

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Taltarni Vineyards	Taltarni Vineyards NV Cuvee Rose	18.5	Gold
2	TREASURY WINE ESTATES VINTNERS LIMITED	B Seppelt & Sons 2018 Salinger Pinot Noir Chardonnay	18.5	Top Gold
3	L & A Vaughan Pty Ltd	Cobboboonee 2022 Rouge de Meunier Traditional Method Vintage Brut	17.0	Silver
4	Taltarni Vineyards	Taltarni Vineyards NV Brut	16.0	Bronze
5	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2021 Rutherford Sparkling Shiraz	16.5	Bronze
6	Mount Avoca Vineyards	Mount Avoca NV Jack Barry Sparkling Shiraz		
7	L & A Vaughan Pty Ltd	Cobboboonee 2022 Fervere Traditional Method Vintage Brut	16.5	Bronze
8	Mount Avoca Vineyards	Mount Avoca 2021 Lisa Marie Organic Blanc de Blancs	16.0	Bronze
9	Mount Langi Ghiran	Mount Langi Ghiran 2021 Blanc des Blancs	17.5	Silver
10	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees Estate 2022 Midnight Cuvee Chardonnay		
11	Taltarni Vineyards	Taltarni Vineyards NV Blanc de Blancs		
12	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees Estate 2022 Sparkling Rose Pinot Noir	16.5	Bronze
13	Mt Coghill Vineyard	Mt Coghill Vineyard 2022 Madam Pommy Chardonnay, Pinot Noir		
14	Mt Coghill Vineyard	Mt Coghill Vineyard 2022 Divine Miss A Sparkling Rose Pinot Noir	17.5	Silver



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02

White Wine - Riesling

Judges: Steven Paul, Mark Hickin, Ben Ranken, Mark Sunczyk

Comments: Strong class of classic western vic Riesling, different styles rewarded

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Best's Wines	Best's Great Western 2024 Riesling	18.5	Gold
2	Mount Langi Ghiran	Mount Langi Ghiran Cliff Edge 2024 Riesling	16.5	Bronze
3	Dogrock Winery	Dogrock 2023 Degrares Road Riesling		
4	TREASURY WINE ESTATES VINTNERS LIMITED	B Seppelt & Sons 2024 Drumborg Riesling	19.0	Top Gold
5	Mount Stapylton P/L	Mount Stapylton 2023 Riesling	15.5	Bronze
6	Miners Ridge Wines - VIC	Miners Ridge Wines 2023 2023 Riesling	17.0	Silver
7	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2023 St Ethels Old Vines Riesling		
8	Clarnette	Clarnette 2023 Riesling	16.5	Bronze



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03

Dry White Wine - Chardonnay

Judges: Steven Paul, Mark Hickin, Ben Ranken, Mark Sunczyk

Comments: mixed class of wines, top wine rewarded for freshness, length and balance

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	L & A Vaughan Pty Ltd	Cobboboonee 2022 Chardonnay	16.0	Bronze
2	Dalwhinnie	Dalwhinnie 2022 Moonambel Chardonnay	17.0	Silver
3	Miners Ridge Wines - VIC	Miners Ridge Wines 2023 Chardonnay		
4	TREASURY WINE ESTATES VINTNERS LIMITED	B Seppelt & Sons 2023 Drumborg Chardonnay	18.5	Gold
5	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2021 Chardonnay	16.0	Bronze
6	Dogrock Winery	Dogrock 2023 Degrares Road Reserve Chardonnay	16.0	Bronze
7	Mount Avoca Vineyards	Mount Avoca 2023 Estate Organic Chardonnay		
8	Provenance Wines	Withdrawn		
9	Provenance Wines	Withdrawn		
10	Mount Avoca Vineyards	Mount Avoca 2024 Moates Lane Chardonnay	15.5	Bronze



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04A

Rose

Judges: Steven Paul, Mark Hickin, Ben Ranken, Mark Sunczyk

Comments: bright fruit, low alc and freshness rewarded

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Best's Wines	Best's Great Western 2024 Rose	18.5	Gold
2	Miners Ridge Wines - VIC	Miners Ridge Wines 2023 Rose'		
3	Meredith Wines	Meredith Wines 2023 "Marnie" Rosé		
4	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2024 "Rosé" Merlot		
5	Mount Langi Ghiran	Mount Langi Ghiran Cliff Edge Rose 2023 Pinot Noir	16.5	Bronze
6	Meredith Wines	Withdrawn		
7	Clarnette 2023 Grampians Ropse	Clarnette 2023 Grampians Rose Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz, Nebbiolo, Riesling	15.5	Bronze



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04B

Other White

Judges: Steven Paul, Mark Hickin, Ben Ranken, Mark Sunczyk

Comments: bright fresh fruit and drinkability rewarded

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Mount Avoca Vineyards	Mount Avoca 2024 Estate Organic Sauvignon Blanc	16.0	Bronze
2	L & A Vaughan Pty Ltd	Cobboboonee 2022 Pinot Gris	16.5	Bronze
3	TREASURY WINE ESTATES VINTNERS LIMITED	B Seppelt & Sons 2023 Drumborg Traminer	16.5	Bronze
4	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees Estate 2023 Cellar Door Series Viognier		
5	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2024 Sauvignon Blanc	15.5	Bronze
6	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	Withdrawn		
7	Vinesmith	Glenlofty Estate 2023 Estate Marsanne, Roussanne	16.0	Bronze
8	Mount Stapylton P/L	Mount Stapylton 2023 Sauvignon Blanc	18.5	Gold
9	Mount Langi Ghiran	Mount Langi Ghiran Cliff Edge 2023 Pinot Gris		
10	Mount Avoca Vineyards	Mount Avoca 2024 Estate Organic Semillon		
11	Mount Avoca Vineyards	Mount Avoca 2024 Late Harvest Organic Viognier		
12	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2024 Pinot Gris		
13	Mitchell Harris Wines	Mitchell Harris 2023 Sauvignon Blanc	15.5	Bronze



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05

Dry Red Wine - Pinot Noir

Judges: Steven Paul, Mark Hickin, Ben Ranken, Mark Sunczyk

Comments: Pinosity rewarded! top wines showing balance and length.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Mount Avoca Vineyards	Mount Avoca 2022 Moates Lane Pinot Noir		
2	Provenance Wines	Withdrawn		
3	TREASURY WINE ESTATES VINTNERS LIMITED	B Seppelt & Sons 2023 Drumborg Pinot Noir	18.5	Top Gold
4	L & A Vaughan Pty Ltd	Cobboboonee 2023 Pinot Noir	18.5	Gold
5	Sally's Paddock Pty Ltd	Sally's Paddock 2023 Sasha Pinot Noir		
6	Provenance Wines	Withdrawn		
7	Mt Coghill Vineyard	Mt Coghill Vineyard 2023 Dzia Dzia Pinot Noir	16.0	Bronze



Judges: Steven Paul, Mark Hickin, Ben Ranken, Mark Sunczyk

Comments: cool vintage conditions showing well.
enjoyable class to judge, regional characters showing through

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	Withdrawn		
2	Mount Avoca Vineyards	Mount Avoca 2023 Estate Organic Shiraz	17.5	Silver
3	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	Withdrawn		
4	Taltarni Vineyards	Taltarni 2022 Estate Shiraz	15.5	Bronze
5	Mitchell Harris Wines	Mitchell Harris 2022 Shiraz	18.5	Gold
6	Miners Ridge Wines - VIC	Miners Ridge Wines 2022 AT Shiraz	17.0	Silver
7	Mount Stapylton P/L	Mount Stapylton Reserve 2022 Shiraz		
8	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2022 Shiraz	17.0	Silver
9	Dogrock Winery	Dogrock 2022 Shiraz	19.0	Top Gold
10	Mount Langi Ghiran	Mount Langi Ghiran Cliff Edge 2022 Shiraz	18.5	Gold
11	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2022 "Reserve" Shiraz		
12	Miners Ridge Wines - VIC	Miners Ridge Wines 2022 Shiraz	17.5	Silver
13	Dalwhinnie	Dalwhinnie 2022 LDR Shiraz		
14	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2022 "Sahsah" Shiraz	16.0	Bronze
15	TREASURY WINE ESTATES VINTNERS LIMITED	B Seppelt & Sons 2022 St Peters Shiraz	15.5	Bronze
16	Dogrock Winery	Dogrock 2022 Degrares Road Reserve Shiraz	16.0	Bronze
17	Clarnette	Clarnette 2022 Grampians Shiraz, Viognier		
18	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2021 St Ethels Great Western Shiraz	19.0	Top Gold
19	Vinesmith	Glenlofty Estate 2021 Ridge Shiraz	16.5	Bronze
20	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2021 St Ethels 1878 Vines Shiraz	18.5	Gold
21	Mount Stapylton P/L	Mount Stapylton 2021 Shiraz		
22	Best's Wines	Best's Great Western Bin.0 2021 Shiraz	17.5	Silver
23	Taltarni Vineyards	Taltarni 2021 Old Vine Estate Shiraz	15.5	Bronze

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Dry Red Wine - Shiraz

24	Dalwhinnie	Dalwhinnie 2021 The Pinnacle Shiraz	17.0	Silver
25	Best's Wines	Best's Great Western Grampians 2021 Shiraz	16.5	Bronze
26	Mountainside Wines - VIC	Mountainside Wines 2021 Shiraz	15.5	Bronze
27	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees Estate 2020 Richardson Reserve Shiraz	15.5	Bronze
28	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees Estate 2020 Richardson Shiraz		



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07

Dry Red Wine - Cabernet Sauvignon

Judges: Steven Paul, Mark Hickin, Ben Ranken, Mark Sunczyk

Comments: strong cabernet class, wines with tannin/fruit/balance rewarded

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Dalwhinnie	Dalwhinnie 2021 Moonambel Cabernet Sauvignon	16.0	Bronze
2	Vinesmith	Glenlofty Estate 2022 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon		
3	Mount Avoca Vineyards	Mount Avoca 2023 Estate Organic Cabernet Sauvignon	17.0	Silver
4	Taltarni Vineyards	Taltarni 2021 Old Vine Estate Cabernet Sauvignon		
5	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon	18.5	Gold
6	Taltarni Vineyards	Taltarni 2023 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	15.5	Bronze
7	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees Estate 2019 Richardson Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	17.5	Silver
8	Best's Wines	Best's Great Western Hamill 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon	15.5	Bronze
9	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2022 "Jo" Cabernet Sauvignon	15.5	Bronze
10	Miners Ridge Wines - VIC	Miners Ridge Wines 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon	17.0	Silver
11	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2022 "Reserve" Cabernet Sauvignon	18.5	Gold
12	Mitchell Harris Wines	Mitchell Harris 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon	16.0	Bronze



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08A

Dry Red Wine - Other Red - Light Red Wines

Judges: Steven Paul, Mark Hickin, Ben Ranken, Mark Sunczyk

Comments: Strong class to judge, vintage, balance prevailed

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Dogrock Winery	Dogrock 2022 El Rojo Grenache, Shiraz, Graciano, Touriga Nacional	17.0	Silver
2	Mount Stapylton P/L	Mount Stapylton 2023 Grenache		
3	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	Withdrawn		
4	Best's Wines	Best's Great Western Young Vine 2023 Pinot Meunier	18.5	Top Gold
5	Taltarni Vineyards	Taltarni 2022 Discovery Grenache, Shiraz, Mourvèdre	18.5	Gold
6	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2022 Fields Crossing Grenache		
7	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	Withdrawn		
8	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2022 Woolclassers Grenache, Shiraz, Tempranillo	16.5	Bronze
9	Meredith Wines	Meredith Wines 2023 "New Tricks" Grenache	17.5	Silver
10	Dogrock Winery	Dogrock 2022 Grenache	17.0	Silver
11	L & A Vaughan Pty Ltd	Cobboboonee 2023 Pinot Meunier		
12	Meredith Wines	Withdrawn		



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08B

Dry Red Wines - Other Reds - Medium Bodied Single Varietal

Judges: Steven Paul, Mark Hickin, Ben Ranken, Mark Sunczyk

Comments: enjoyable class to judge, wines showing strong varietal characters.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2023 The Longest Drive Tempranillo	17.5	Silver
2	Dogrock Winery	Dogrock 2022 Tempranillo	16.5	Bronze
3	Mount Avoca Vineyards	Mount Avoca 2022 Estate Organic Lagrein	17.0	Silver
4	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2022 Merlot		
5	Miners Ridge Wines - VIC	Miners Ridge Wines 2023 Tempranillo	17.5	Silver
6	Dogrock Winery	Dogrock 2022 Touriga Nacional	18.5	Gold
7	Mitchell Harris Wines	Mitchell Harris 2022 Sangiovese		
8	Clarnette & Ludvigsen	Clarnette 2023 Grampians Tempranillo Tempranillo	16.5	Bronze



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08C

Dry Red Wine - Other Red - Cabernet Sauvignon Blends

Judges: Steven Paul, Mark Hickin, Ben Ranken, Mark Sunczyk

Comments: approachable and easy wines

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Taltarni Vineyards	Taltarni 2022 Discovery Reserve des Pyrenees	17.0	Silver
2	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2022 "Tradition" Blend of Shiraz, Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon		
3	L & A Vaughan Pty Ltd	Cobboboonee 2022 Slaughterhouse Red Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz	16.0	Bronze



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09

Museum Class White

Judges: Steven Paul, Mark Hickin, Ben Ranken, Mark Sunczyk

Comments: super fresh Riesling holding strong

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Vinesmith	Glenlofty Estate 2019 Roussanne		
2	Dogrock Winery	Dogrock 2013 Degrares Road Riesling	15.5	Bronze
3	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2004 Mafeking Gold Chardonnay	17.0	Silver
4	TREASURY WINE ESTATES VINTNERS LIMITED	B Seppelt & Sons 2011 Drumborg Riesling	18.5	Gold
5	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2005 Mafeking Gold Chardonnay	16.5	Bronze



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10

Museum Class Red Wine

Judges: Steven Paul, Mark Hickin, Ben Ranken, Mark Sunczyk

Comments: very fortunate to taste through the museum gems. Sparkling shiraz showing freshness and balance.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2004 Streeton Reserve Shiraz	18.5	Gold
2	TREASURY WINE ESTATES VINTNERS LIMITED	B Seppelt & Sons 2012 Show Sparkling Shiraz	19.0	Top Gold
3	Dogrock Winery	Dogrock 2014 Degrares Road Shiraz	17.5	Silver
4	Dogrock Winery	Dogrock 2013 Degrares Road Shiraz		
5	Mountainside Wines - VIC	Mountainside Wines 2013 Shiraz, Viognier		
6	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2010 Pollyannas Pinot Noir	16.0	Bronze
7	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2001 Streeton Reserve Shiraz	16.5	Bronze



Judges: Steven Paul, Mark Hickin, Ben Ranken, Mark Sunczyk

Comments:

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	TREASURY WINE ESTATES VINTNERS LIMITED	B Seppelt & Sons 2010 St Peters Shiraz		Top Gold
2	TREASURY WINE ESTATES VINTNERS LIMITED	B Seppelt & Sons 2016 St Peters Shiraz		Top Gold
3	TREASURY WINE ESTATES VINTNERS LIMITED	B Seppelt & Sons 2022 St Peters Shiraz		Top Gold
4	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	Withdrawn		
5	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	Withdrawn		
6	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	Withdrawn		
7	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	Withdrawn		
8	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	Withdrawn		
9	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	Withdrawn		
10	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2014 Fields Crossing Grenache		
11	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2019 Fields Crossing Grenache		
12	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2022 Fields Crossing Grenache		
13	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2003 Streeton Reserve Shiraz		
14	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2015 Streeton Reserve Shiraz		
15	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2018 Streeton Reserve Shiraz		
16	Dogrock Winery	Dogrock 2022 Degraves Road Shiraz		
17	Dogrock Winery	Dogrock 2015 Degraves Road Shiraz		
18	Dogrock Winery	Dogrock 2013 Degraves Road Shiraz		