

2025 Western Victorian Wine Challenge



01

Sparkling Wine - Red or White

Judges: Steven Paul, Amanda Flynn, Adrian Marchioro, Daniel Moshopoulos

Comments: wines rewarded for drive, freshness, complexity and clever use of dosage.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees Estate 2022 Midnight Cuvee Chardonnay	15.5	Bronze
2	Mount Langi Ghiran	Mount Langi Ghiran 2022 Blanc des Blancs	17.0	Silver
3	Provenance Wines	Provenance Wines 2023 Henty Blanc de Blanc	16.0	Bronze
4	Taltarni Vineyards	Taltarni Vineyards NV Blanc de Blancs	19.0	Top Gold
5	Taltarni Vineyards	Taltarni Vineyards NV Brut	18.5	Gold
6	Mitchell Harris Wines	Mitchell Harris Wines 2021 Sabre Chardonnay, Pinot Meunier		
7	Mitchell Harris Wines	Mitchell Harris Wines 2021 Sabre Rose Chardonnay, Pinot Meunier	17.5	Silver
8	Taltarni Vineyards	Taltarni Vineyards NV Cuvee Rose		
9	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees Estate NV Sparkling Shiraz		
10	Grampians Estate - VIC	Rutherford Sparkling 2021 Shiraz	18.5	Gold
11	Grampians Estate - VIC	limited Edition Rutherford Reserve Sparkling 2016 Shiraz	16.0	Bronze



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02

White Wine - Riesling

Judges: Steven Paul, Amanda Flynn, Adrian Marchioro, Daniel Moshopoulos

Comments: Top wines showing the breadth of styles this variety can produce in the region.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Miners Ridge Wines - VIC	Miners Ridge Wines 2024 Riesling	16.0	Bronze
2	Best's Wines	Best's Great Western 2025 Riesling	18.5	Gold
3	Grampians Estate - VIC	St Ethels Old Vines 2025 Riesling	16.0	Bronze
4	Treasury Wine Estates Vintners Limited	B Seppelt & Sons 2025 Drumborg Riesling	19.0	Gold
5	Meredith Wines	Meredith Wines 2025 "Big Fundamental" Riesling		
6	Provenance Wines	Provenance Wines 2024 Henty Riesling	15.5	Bronze



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03

Dry White Wine - Chardonnay

Judges: Steven Paul, Amanda Flynn, Adrian Marchioro, Daniel Moshopoulos

Comments: wines rewarded to balance, fine fruit drive and balanced acidity

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Provenance Wines	Provenance Wines 2023 Henty Chardonnay	19.0	Top Gold
2	Provenance Wines	Provenance Wines 2023 Ballarat Chardonnay	15.5	Bronze
3	Mount Avoca Vineyards	Mount Avoca Estate Organic 2024 Chardonnay		
4	Treasury Wine Estates Vintners Limited	B Seppelt & Sons 2023 Drumborg Chardonnay	18.5	Gold
5	L & A Vaughan Pty Ltd	Cobboboonee 2024 Chardonnay		
6	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees 2025 Chardonnay		
7	Miners Ridge Wines - VIC	Miners Ridge Wines 2024 Chardonnay	16.0	Bronze
8	Dalwhinnie Wines	Dalwhinnie Moonambel 2022 Chardonnay		



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04A

Rose

Judges: Steven Paul, Amanda Flynn, Adrian Marchioro, Daniel Moshopoulos

Comments: freshness and vibrancy of fruit with balance sugar rewarded

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Best's Wines	Best's Great Western 2025 Rose: Shiraz, Riesling, Pinot Noir	18.5	Gold
2	Clarnette & Ludvigsen Wines	Clarnette 2024 Grampians Rose	17.0	Silver
3	Black & Ginger	Black & Ginger 2024 Lucys Rose Shiraz		
4	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2024 'Rosé' Merlot		
5	Mount Staphylton P/L	Mount Staphylton 2024 Rosé Shiraz, Grenache		
6	L & A Vaughan Pty Ltd	Cobboboonee 2025 Rosé		
7	Taltarni Vineyards	Taltarni Vineyards 2024 Discovery Rose	15.5	Bronze
8	Miners Ridge Wines - VIC	Miners Ridge Wines 2024 Rose	17.0	Silver



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04B

Other White

Judges: Steven Paul, Amanda Flynn, Adrian Marchioro, Elizabeth Ladhams, Daniel Moshopoulos

Comments:

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees Estate 2025 Sauvignon Blanc	18.5	Gold
2	Mount Avoca Vineyards	Mount Avoca Estate Organic 2025 Sauvignon Blanc	16.5	Bronze
3	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees Estate 2024 Winemaker's Reserve Sauvignon Blanc Fume	16.5	Bronze
4	Dogrock Winery	Dogrock El Blanco 2024 Arinto, Chardonnay, Azal	15.5	Bronze
5	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees 2024 White Field Blend	17.0	Silver
6	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees Estate 2024 Winemaker's Reserve Semillon	16.0	Bronze
7	Black & Ginger	Black & Ginger 2024 Miss Piggy Muscat, Riesling	18.5	Gold
8	SubRosa Wine	SubRosa 2023 Viognier		
9	Vinesmith	Glenlofty Estate 2023 Estate Marsanne, Roussanne		
10	Mount Avoca Vineyards	Mount Avoca Organic Late Harvest 2024 Viognier	18.5	Gold
11	Black & Ginger	Black & Ginger 2024 The Gypsy Vermentino	19.0	Top Gold
12	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees Estate 2024 Viognier		
13	Provenance Wines	Provenance Wines 2024 Henty Pinot Gris		
14	Taltarni Vineyards	Taltarni Vineyards 2024 Fume Blanc Sauvignon Blanc		
15	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2025 Pinot Gris	15.5	Bronze
16	Peerick	Peerick 2021 Sauvignon Blanc Fumé		
17	L & A Vaughan Pty Ltd	Cobboboonee 2024 Pinot Gris		
18	Mountainside Wines - VIC	Mountainside Wines 2022		
19	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	The Story Wines 2022 Marsanne, Roussanne, Viognier		



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05

Dry Red Wine - Pinot Noir

Judges: Steven Paul, Amanda Flynn, Adrian Marchioro, Daniel Moshopoulos

Comments: wine stewarded for evening ripeness of fruit and stems (if used) and judicious oak.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Best's Wines	Best's Great Western 2024 Pinot Noir	16.5	Bronze
2	Provenance Wines	Provenance Wines 2023 Henty Pinot Noir	19.0	Top Gold
3	Mount Avoca Vineyards	Mount Avoca Moates Lane 2024 Pinot Noir		
4	Taltarni Vineyards	Taltarni Vineyards 2023 Discovery Pinot Noir	16.5	Bronze
5	Treasury Wine Estates Vintners Limited	B Seppelt & Sons 2024 Drumborg Pinot Noir	15.5	Bronze
6	Provenance Wines	Provenance Wines 2023 Ballarat Pinot Noir	18.5	Gold



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06A

Dry Red Wine - Shiraz 2023 and younger

Judges: Steven Paul, Amanda Flynn, Adrian Marchioro, Jacob Parton, Daniel Moshopoulos

Comments:

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees 2024 Section One Shiraz	15.5	Bronze
2	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees 2023 Shiraz		
3	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2023 'Reserve' Shiraz	18.5	Gold
4	Black & Ginger	Black & Ginger 2024 Lilys Block Shiraz	16.5	Bronze
5	Vinesmith	Glenlofty Estate 2023 Ridge Block Shiraz		
6	Mount Langi Ghiran	Mount Langi Ghiran Pepper Series 2024 Shiraz	18.5	Gold
7	Mount Avoca Vineyards	Mount Avoca Estate Old Vine 2024 Shiraz	17.5	Silver
8	Mitchell Harris Wines	Mitchell Harris Wines 2023 Shiraz		
9	Pyren Vineyard	Withdrawn		
10	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2023 Shiraz	19.0	Gold
11	Treasury Wine Estates Vintners Limited	B Seppelt & Sons 2023 St Peters Shiraz		
12	Grampians Estate - VIC	St Ethels Great Western 2024 Shiraz	17.5	Silver
13	Mount Langi Ghiran	Mount Langi Ghiran Cliff Edge 2023 Shiraz	17.0	Silver
14	Mount Stapylton P/L	Mount Stapylton 2024 Shiraz	16.0	Bronze
15	Vinesmith	Glenlofty Estate 2023 Decameron Station Shiraz	15.5	Bronze
16	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	The Story Wines 2023 Moyston Hills Vineyard Syrah		
17	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	The Story Wines 2023 Grampians Syrah		



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06B

Dry Red Wine - Shiraz 2022 and older (non museum)

Judges: Steven Paul, Amanda Flynn, Adrian Marchioro, Daniel Moshopoulos

Comments:

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees 2022 Richardson Shiraz	18.5	Gold
2	Clarnette & Ludvigsen Wines	Clarnette 2022 LUDVIGSEN Shiraz		
3	Best's Wines	Best's Great Western 2022 LSV Shiraz, Viognier		
4	Clayfield Wines	Clayfield Massif Reserve 2021 Shiraz		
5	Best's Wines	Best's Great Western 2022 Bin.0 Shiraz	18.5	Gold
6	Best's Wines	Best's Great Western 2021 Hamill Shiraz	17.5	Silver
7	Grampians Estate - VIC	St Ethels Great Western 2021 Shiraz		
8	SubRosa Wine	SubRosa 2021 Shiraz		
9	Peerick	Peerick 2020 Shiraz		
10	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees Estate 2022 Richardson Reserve Shiraz	19.0	Top Gold
11	Treasury Wine Estates Vintners Limited	B Seppelt & Sons 2022 St Peters Shiraz		
12	Taltarni Vineyards	Taltarni Vineyards 2022 Old Vine Shiraz		
13	Mount Avoca Vineyards	Mount Avoca Organic Back Block 2022 Shiraz		
14	Best's Wines	Best's Great Western 2022 Bin.1 Shiraz	16.0	Bronze
15	Mountainside Wines - VIC	Mountainside Wines 2021 Winemaker's Reserve Shiraz		
16	Dogrock Winery	Dogrock 2022 Degrares Road Reserve Shiraz		
17	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2019 Streeton Reserve Shiraz		
18	Miners Ridge Wines - VIC	Miners Ridge Wines 2022 AT Shiraz	17.5	Silver
19	Dalwhinnie Wines	Dalwhinnie Moonambel 2021 Shiraz		



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07

Dry Red Wine - Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Sauvignon dominant blends

Judges: Steven Paul, Amanda Flynn, Adrian Marchioro, Daniel Moshopoulos, Lucy Austen-Paine

Comments: Strong class with best examples showing freshness, ripe tannin and judicious oak use

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees Estate 2024 Estate Red	18.5	Gold
2	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2023 Cabernet Sauvignon		
3	Best's Wines	Best's Grampians 2022 Individual Block Selection Cabernet Sauvignon		
4	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees Estate 2022 Richardson Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon		
5	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2023 'Taiyo' Cabernet Sauvignon		
6	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2023 'Reserve' Cabernet Sauvignon	16.5	Bronze
7	Mount Langi Ghiran	Mount Langi Ghiran Cliff Edge 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot	17.5	Silver
8	Grampians Estate - VIC	Corriedale 2024 Cabernet Sauvignon		
9	Mitchell Harris Wines	Mitchell Harris Wines 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon		
10	Vinesmith	Glenlofty Estate 2023 Decameron Station Cabernet Sauvignon		
11	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees 2022 Richardson Cabernet Sauvignon	17.5	Silver
12	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees 2024 Cabernet Sauvignon	19.0	Top Gold
13	Dalwhinnie Wines	Dalwhinnie Moonambel 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon		



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08A

Dry Red Wine - Other Red - Single Varietal

Judges: Steven Paul, Amanda Flynn, Adrian Marchioro, Daniel Moshopoulos, Dominic Bolton

Comments: wines rewarded on balance and drinkability, top wine very good

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Mount Stapylton P/L	Mount Stapylton 2024 Grenache	17.5	Silver
2	SubRosa Wine	SubRosa 2020 Nebbiolo	17.0	Silver
3	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees 2024 Winemaker's Reserve Cabernet Franc	18.5	Top Gold
4	Mount Avoca Vineyards	Mount Avoca Estate Organic 2024 Merlot	16.0	Bronze
5	Miners Ridge Wines - VIC	Miners Ridge Wines 2024 Grenache		
6	Mitchell Harris Wines	Mitchell Harris Wines 2022 Sangiovese		
7	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees 2024 Merlot	15.5	Bronze
8	Mount Avoca Vineyards	Mount Avoca Estate Organic 2024 Cabernet Franc	16.5	Bronze
9	Grampians Estate - VIC	Fields Crossing 2023 Grenache		
10	Pyren Vineyard	Withdrawn		
11	Mount Avoca Vineyards	Mount Avoca Estate Organic 2024 Lagrein	18.5	Top Gold
12	Clarnette & Ludvigsen Wines	Clarnette 2023 Grampians Durif	18.5	Gold
13	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees Estate 2024 Winemaker's Reserve Malbec	16.0	Bronze
14	Miners Ridge Wines - VIC	Miners Ridge Wines 2024 Tempranillo		
15	Black & Ginger	Black & Ginger 2024 Nouveau Grenache		
16	Grampians Estate - VIC	Longest Drive 2024 Tempranillo	17.0	Silver
17	Pyren Vineyard	Withdrawn		
18	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2023 Merlot		
19	Clarnette & Ludvigsen Wines	Clarnette 2023 Grampians Nebbiolo		
20	Mountainside Wines - VIC	Mountainside Wines 2021 Nebbiolo		
21	Meredith Wines	Meredith Wines 2024 "Top Shelf" Grenache		
22	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	The Story Wines 2023 Grampians Grenache	17.0	Silver



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08B

Dry Red Wines - Other Red Blends in any percentage

Judges: Steven Paul, Amanda Flynn, Adrian Marchioro, Daniel Moshopoulos

Comments: wines lacked ripness and fruit freshness for age, some faults and oak overuse.

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2023 Woolclassers GST Grenache, Shiraz, Tempranillo	16.0	Bronze
2	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2023 "Tradition" Shiraz, Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon	16.5	Bronze
3	Peerick	The MANG 2019 (Merlot CabSauv Shiraz CabFranc)		
4	Sally's Paddock Pty Ltd	Sally's Paddock 2021		
5	Peerick	Deadly by Peerick 2022 Shiraz, Merlot		
6	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	The Story Wines 2023 Super G Grenache, Shiraz, Mourvèdre		



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09

Museum Class White

Judges: Steven Paul, Amanda Flynn, Adrian Marchioro, Daniel Moshopoulos, Olivia Day

Comments:

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Mount Langi Ghiran	Mount Langi Ghiran 2009 Cliff Edge Riesling	18.5	Gold
2	Vinesmith	Glenlofty Estate 2013 Marsanne, Roussanne	15.5	Bronze
3	SubRosa Wine	SubRosa 2013 Chardonnay	16.0	Bronze
4	Grampians Estate - VIC	Mafeking Gold 2004 Chardonnay	15.5	Bronze
5	Vinesmith	Glenlofty Estate 2017 Lookout Vineyard Chardonnay	16.0	Bronze
6	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	The Story Wines 2015 Marsanne, Roussanne, Viognier		



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Museum Class Red Wine

Judges: Steven Paul, Amanda Flynn, Adrian Marchioro, Daniel Moshopoulos

Comments: such a pleasure to taste through these wines, vintage showing through....
thank you producers!

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Grampians Estate - VIC	St Ethels 2014 Shiraz		
2	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2015 'Reserve' Cabernet Sauvignon	18.5	Gold
3	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2008 'Jo' Cabernet Sauvignon	16.0	Bronze
4	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2015 Fields Crossing Grenache	19.0	Top Gold
5	Clayfield Wines	Clayfield 2013 Grampians Shiraz		
6	Grampians Estate - VIC	Streeton Reserve 2015 Shiraz	18.5	Gold
7	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2015 'Reserve' Shiraz	17.5	Silver
8	Dogrock Winery	Dogrock 2008 Degrares Road Shiraz		
9	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	R. Lane Vintners 2014 Westgate Vineyard Syrah		



Judges: Steven Paul, Amanda Flynn, Adrian Marchioro, Jacob Parton, Daniel Moshopoulos

Comments:

Entry	Exhibiting Company	Exhibit	Score	Award
1	Grampians Estate - VIC	Streeton Reserve 2015 Shiraz		
2	Grampians Estate - VIC	Grampians Estate 2017 Streeton Reserve Shiraz		
3	Grampians Estate - VIC	Streeton Reserve 2019 Shiraz		
4	Mount Langi Ghiran	Mount Langi Ghiran Cliff Edge 2003 Shiraz		
5	Mount Langi Ghiran	Mount Langi Ghiran Cliff Edge 2018 Shiraz		
6	Mount Langi Ghiran	Mount Langi Ghiran Cliff Edge 2022 Shiraz		
7	Clayfield Wines	Clayfield 2012 Grampians Shiraz		
8	Clayfield Wines	Clayfield 2014 Grampians Shiraz		
9	Clayfield Wines	Clayfield 2016 Grampians Shiraz		
10	Grampians Estate - VIC	Rutherford Sparkling Shiraz 2011 Shiraz		
11	Grampians Estate - VIC	Rutherford Sparkling Shiraz 2017 Shiraz		
12	Grampians Estate - VIC	Rutherford Sparkling 2021 Shiraz		
13	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees Estate 2013 Estate Red		Top Gold
14	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees Estate 2017 Estate Red		Top Gold
15	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees Estate 2024 Estate Red		Top Gold
16	SubRosa Wine	SubRosa 2015 Nebbiolo		
17	SubRosa Wine	SubRosa 2017 Nebbiolo		
18	SubRosa Wine	SubRosa 2020 Nebbiolo		
19	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2015 'Reserve' Cabernet Sauvignon		
20	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2018 'Reserve' Cabernet Sauvignon		
21	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2023 'Reserve' Cabernet Sauvignon		
22	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2015 'Reserve' Shiraz		
23	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2018 'Reserve' Shiraz		
24	Summerfield Wines	Summerfield Wines 2023 'Reserve' Shiraz		



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The Provenance Award

25	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees Estate 2014 Section One Shiraz
26	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees Estate 2019 Section One Shiraz
27	Vinesmith	Blue Pyrenees 2024 Section One Shiraz
28	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	R. Lane Vintners 2014 Westgate Vineyard Syrah
29	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	R. Lane Vintners 2019 Westgate Vineyard Syrah
30	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	R. Lane Vintners 2021 Westgate Vineyard Syrah
31	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	The Story Wines 2015 Marsanne, Roussanne, Viognier
32	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	The Story Wines 2019 Marsanne, Roussanne, Viognier
33	The Story Wines Pty Ltd	The Story Wines 2022 Marsanne, Roussanne, Viognier

