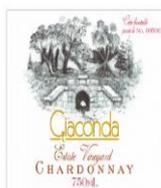




PREMIUM AUSTRALIAN WHITES



2004 GIACONDA "Estate Vineyard" Chardonnay (Beechworth, Vic) \$280

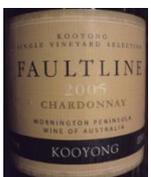
Robert Parker Wine Advocate #168 (Dec 2006) : *"One of the finest Australian Chardonnays I have ever tasted - it tastes like a grand cru from Puligny-Montrachet. Steely lemon oil, popcorn, buttered hazelnut, and subtle smoke scents emerge from the glass of this intense, full-bodied Chardonnay that is bursting with character and soul. This amazing effort must be tasted to be believed. Rating - 96 points"*



2004 CRAWFORD RIVER Riesling (Henty, Vic) \$145

James Halliday : *"Some deepening of colour but hue still green; terrific mineral structure and intensity to an extremely long palate just starting to hit its straps; lime, apple, spice and lemony acidity. Drink by 2024 " Rating : 96 Points*

[DJM : John Thomson is arguably one of the very best riesling growers in Australia]



2005 KOoyong "Faultline" Chardonnay (Tuerong, Mornington P.) \$145

James Halliday : *"Stone fruit with a touch of fig; nectarine flavours, then a lively, fresh and long finish with citrusy acidity. Rating : 95 Points "*

[DJM : this is a beautiful, elegant wine, drinking superbly - still showing some youthful green tinges, it is fresh and clean with a soft, almost caressing, richness]



2005 LEO BURING Eden Valley Riesling (SA) \$65

David Lole : *"Very pale straw/green colour. Fresh, fragrant nose of orange blossom, a little bath powder, lime juice and green tropical fruits. Very good indeed. Elegant and nicely delineated palate harboring similar fruit (aka the nose), of medium weight, good structure, beautifully balanced/integrated mineral acidity and a long, crisp finish . Excellent "*



2009 STONIERS "Reserve" Chardonnay (Merricks, Mornington P.) \$90

Grape Observer : *"I thought this Reserve Chardonnay from Stonier showed extremely well. Slate, minerals and oak round out carefully constructed aromatics. Quite long length, lemon citrus, white nectarine and cashew nuts make up the palate. This is a really quite outstanding chardonnay from a difficult year . Extremely good. "*



2010 PRANCING HORSE Chardonnay (Red Hill, Mornington Peninsula) \$90

James Halliday : *"Pale, bright straw-green; an elegant, perfectly balanced and articulated wine, so much so it might be possible to figuratively walk by it. On the elegant side of Mornington Peninsula chardonnay, mineral/chalky acidity to the fore, white flesh stone fruit, apple and melon follow." Rating - 95 Points "*



2012 BASS PHILLIP "Estate" Chardonnay (South Gippsland, Vic) \$140

Huon Hooke, The Gourmet Traveller Wine Guide 2015 : *"Full buttercup yellow colour. Rich pineapple and smoky bouquet with toasty development and a hint of butteriness. The palate is lean and linear, but showing some sneaky touches of honey and apricot. Moderate length, with mouth-watering acidity on the aftertaste ."*



2012 LEO BURING Dry Riesling (Clare Valley, SA) \$65

James Halliday : *"Pale straw-green; in classic Clare style, with purity of varietal fruit in a citrus and ripe apple spectrum, balanced acidity giving the wine length and an appealing finish. Rating : 93 Points "*

PREMIUM AUSTRALIAN WHITES



2012 Paringa "The Paringa" WB Block Chardonnay (Red Hill, Mornington Peninsula) \$160

James Halliday - July 2014 : " whole bunch-pressed direct to new and 1-year-old French barriques for wild yeast fermentation, regularly stirred during 11 months maturation and then full mlf. Somewhat retro in style, looking back to the time when all Mornington Peninsula chardonnays went through mlf. It has creamy cashew to the fore, stone fruit on the mid-palate, then an unexpected twist of acidity on the finish ". **Rating: 95**



2012 Stoniers "Reserve" Chardonnay (Mornington Peninsula) \$90

James Halliday : "A blend of vineyards all planted in the mid-'80s or earlier; whole bunch-pressed, fermented in barrel and puncheon (20-25% new), blended after 9 months, followed by a further 5 months in barrel as a blend; 60% mlf. The most complex of the Stonier '12 Chardonnays in both texture and fruit-weight and ripeness; here melon and fig join the flavours of the other wines, and the creamy cashew notes are more obvious. **Rating 95 Points "**



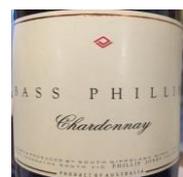
2012 Tucks Ridge "Turramurra" Chardonnay (Mornington Peninsula) \$65

DJM : this gently rich, smooth and nicely fresh chardonnay is at peak drinking, and is excellent with food. The top white from Tucks Ridge (now owned by Montalto) the 2012 still has hints of green and has gently rich aroma's of peach and melon. Smooth and supple in the mouth, and showing a touch of buttery oak balanced by softening acidity, this is lovely drinking up to late 2018.



2012 Yabby Lake "Single Vineyard" Chardonnay (Mornington Peninsula) \$180

James Halliday Sept 2013 : " The sheer grace, intensity and precision of this wine is remarkable, its barrel ferment origins still part of the silky tapestry of the stone fruit and citrus flavours, but trying to deconstruct the components verges on sacrilege. The length is prodigious, as is its future. **Drink by 2025 " Rating : 97 Points**



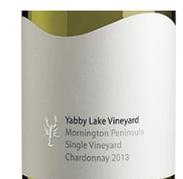
2013 Bass Phillip "Estate" Chardonnay (South Gippsland, Vic) \$110

Huon Hooke, Gourmet Traveller Wine Guide : " Medium to full yellow; generous colour. Some chicken stock aroma, yeast-lees creaminess, rich and complex. The same in the mouth: very rich, dense, concentrated and fleshy, with marvellous texture and aplomb. Very long finish; quite savoury as opposed to fruity. Beautiful balance. " **Rating: 95 Points**



2013 Moorooduc Estate Chardonnay (Moorooduc, Mornington Peninsula) \$85

James Halliday : "Plenty of flavour and style. Stone fruit, flint, ripples of spice, toast/roasted nuts. Complexity as a calm safe-harbour rather than as a raging sea. **Drink by: 2019. Rating : 93 Points"**



2013 Yabby Lake "Single Vineyard" Chardonnay (Mornington Peninsula) \$110

James Halliday : "An epitome of modern Australian chardonnay, fruit, oak and natural acidity seamlessly woven together into a wine that will always have an element of restrained delicacy, but will flourish mightily with 5 years in bottle, and live much longer. **Drink by: 2023 Rating - 96 Points "**



2013 Yabby Lake "Single Block 6" Chardonnay (Mornington Peninsula) \$140

Mike Benny , Wine Front : " Beautiful bouquet here – like the scent of a fine perfume store, sandalwood, exotic flowers, perfect orchard fruit. Elegant and classy. Refined palate too, feeling tight, coiled, raring to go, piercing but meshed acidity and mouthwatering-tangy finish. Incredible dart-shaped length of flavour too and a fine, seamless mesh of its fruity components. There's a ripeness to fruit but the drive is all here. Superb ".



2015 Yabby Lake "Single Vineyard" Chardonnay (Mornington Peninsula) \$95

Mike Benny : "Subdued funk, smells more like stone fruit, ripe apples, sandalwood. Good. Fine feeling wine to taste – racing stripes of acidity and ripe citrus flavours, a cool centre of stone fruit and fine chalky, flinty, saline flecks throughout. Very easy to drink, filigree in streaks of mineral-like feeling detail and fruit/acid mix, trim and yet juicy to drink. **Rating : 93 Points"**