

The Cork Report



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Boynton's Paiko Shiraz 2001

Full-bodied and full-flavored. Let's tip our cap to this one. One of the best. 90



2. Wirra Wirra Scrubby Rise Shiraz 2003 - Good body with rich fruits. Enjoyable from start to finish. 90

3. Long Flat Eden Valley Riesling 2004 - Pear and apple aromas. Clean and fresh. Well-balanced and well made. Would rival some of Germany's best. 90

4. Devil's Marbles Shiraz 2003 - Another basic but good Shiraz. Well-balanced and a slightly tart finish. 90

5. The Gorge Shiraz 2002 - Precise flavors of ripe cherries. Well-balanced and well made. Full of flavor with a lasting finish. 89

6. Penfolds Thomas Hyland Shiraz 2004 - It's easy to see why this wine was our top pick a few years back. Lots of texture, cherry fruits and strong tannins. A dependable winner. 89

7. Little Boomey Chardonnay 2004 - Is this a California Chardonnay? Tasty and different from most of its Australian counterparts. Lots of flavor and a great finish. 89

8. Grant Burge Shiraz 2003 - Well-developed. Gobs of flavor. Stands out among its peers. 89

9. McWilliam's Riesling 2005 - Lively and exciting. Sharp acidic balance. This one's really good. 89



10. Alice White Lexia 2005 - Sweet peachy nose. Very sweet but fresh fruit flavors. Easy to drink and enjoy. 89

11. Twin Beaks Cabernet Sauvignon 2001 - A touch of vanilla and oak. Certainly different from most Aussie Cabs. Pretty good. 89

12. McGuigan Shiraz Bin 2000 2003 - Plum and blackberry fruits. Rich flavors and a great structure. 89

13. Penfolds Koonunga Hill Cab-Merlot 2003 - Dark hue. Well-developed and firm tannins. A touch of earth and a very firm finish. 89

14. Yellow Tail Reserve Shiraz 2004 - Sweet fruity flavors with a touch of oak and vanilla. Easy drinking. 88

15. Reynolds Merlot 2002 - Earthy fruit that just never comes around. Not bad but certainly not spectacular. 88



Guide to the Cork Report

90-100	Outstanding
80-89	Very Good
70-79	Good
Below 70	Really bad and probably won't even be mentioned