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We always like to finish things on a high note! With our final meeting of the tasting panel for 2024, we wanted to focus on what we know you love best. We tried over 40 wines blind with a focus on full bodied and complex whites, mainly chardonnay, and rich and smooth reds. We were all surprised by the results and pleased to see some of the 2023 WA wines shine through! Thank you for your support, we love that you love our recommendations, and we work hard to give you the best options for your hard earned dollars.

HAMELIN BAY CHARDONNAY 2023

Exceptional!

2023 has been a highly anticipated vintage from Margaret River, considered great for both reds and whites. We're excited to see the quality of our top scoring wine. This wine features a balanced palate with stone fruit, rockmelon, and apple, alongside subtle nougat and cashew notes. It has a light mid-palate finesse, structured by slight grip from the french oak barriques and a lively lemon zest that carries through to the finish. Exceptional chardonnay for a great price!



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KILKANOON KILLERMAN'S RUN CAB SAUV 2020

"Clare-ly good!"

This deep red wine showcases crimson hues and offers vibrant aromas of blackcurrant and a slight herbaceous characteristic. On the palate, these notes are mirrored, complemented by bright red berries. With a soft, mouth-coating body and balanced finish. Promising further complexity with careful cellaring. A perfect match with a spring lamb dish, get the BBQ ready!



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ROCKBARE THE MCLAREN VALE SHIRAZ 2022 **"Rock and Roll!"**

McLaren Vale Shiraz has really become a customer favourite, as well as our panelists. So we're always excited when one makes it through the blind tasting. The wine presents an enticing bouquet of fresh blueberries complemented by subtle vanilla, spices, cedar, and delicate violets. On the palate, it offers an approachable and elegant experience with flavours of mulberry and blueberry jam. Juicy plum notes lead the way, hints of chocolate, coffee beans, mint, black pepper, and a touch of truffles. A well-structured McLaren Vale Shiraz that carries these delightful flavours through to a satisfying finish.



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TIM ADAMS CLARE VALLEY SHIRAZ 2021

"Sensational!"

Tim Adams consistently delivers when it comes to what our panelists are looking for, not just in terms of value but in terms of quality. From the amazing 2021 vintage, this elegant wine showcases a vibrant deep purple colour and offers a harmonious bouquet of black cherry, blackcurrant, and plum, backed by notes of spiced oak, and dark chocolate from its 24 months in American oak. On the palate, expect a full-bodied richness paired with soft, ripe fruit and impressive flavour concentration, making it enjoyable now while also suitable for aging up to 10 years. For the best experience, we suggest decanting prior to serving.



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CAPE MENTELLE MARMADUKE CHARDONNAY 2023

"Delectable!"

The 2023 Chardonnays from Margaret River really shined in this blind tasting, and Cape Mentelle Marmaduke Chardonnay really delivers. Pale yellow in colour, with inviting floral, tropical and toasty oak notes on the nose. A fresh and vibrant palate gives way to delicious stone fruit characters and a textured and long finish. Perfect with summer dishes using chicken, crab or with some soft cheese!

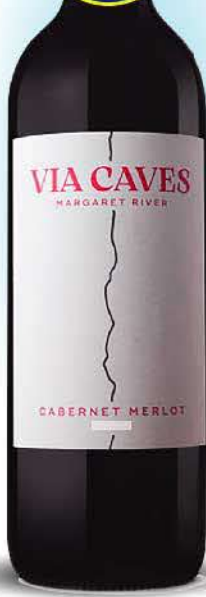


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VIA CAVES CABERNET MERLOT 2021

"Vive the Via Caves!"

We love when Via Caves makes an appearance in the lineups, as it always surprises our tasting panel with the quality of wine they deliver at this price point. A different blend to the previous vintage with 73% Cabernet, 20% Merlot, and 7% Malbec. A smooth and elegant wine with spice and ripe fruit on the nose. Leading into a delicious blackberry and blueberry with a hint of spice on the palate. Lovely mouthfeel, with a textured and long finish makes this wine a must have!



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MONTAGUE ESTATE CHARDONNAY 2023

"Moreish!"

Montague Estate (previously Heydon Estate) has become a customer favourite at the store over the last few months. The 2022 chardonnay sold out several times over. So when we uncovered the 2023 Chardonnay was in the blind tasting, we were pleasantly surprised! The wine offers aromas of honeysuckle, lemon, pineapple, and nutmeg. Followed by a palate with bursting flavours of apple, melon, and a soft minerality giving way to a long and moreish finish! We love this wine and hope you will too!



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\$26⁹⁹



BORRELLO VINEYARDS CHARDONNAY 2021

"New(ish) Kids on the Block!"

Borrello Wines are fairly new on the scene, established in 2019, they are definitely considered new kids on the block. Wow, does the wine reflect decades of experience and know-how. The wine is pale straw in colour with aromas of white peach, almond, elderflower, citrus peel, and a touch of spice. It tastes rich and smooth, with flavours of grapefruit, nectarine, honeydew, and a hint of smokiness. The finish is long, with a light, crisp acidity that brings out the flavours.



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BREMERTON SELKIRK SHIRAZ 2021

"Great Value!"

The 2021 Bremerton Selkirk Shiraz is a vibrant expression of Langhorne Creek, known for its depth and character. This vintage bursts with flavours of ripe blackberry, dark plum, and a touch of black cherry, layered with hints of spice, dark chocolate, and a subtle oak influence. Smooth and velvety with a balanced structure. Its rich, full-bodied mouthfeel gives way to a long finish and makes it a great pairing with grilled meats. Great value from a great vintage!



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DELAS FRERES SAINT-ESPRIT COTES DU RHONE 2021

"Incredible!"

There were a few international wines submitted in this blind tasting. This was the wine that we all agreed was the best of the lot. A staple on our international shelves, it's always reassuring when our experts agree. A syrah base Cotes-du-Rhone, on the nose has bright aromas of red berries, blackcurrant, and subtle spices. On the palate, it has flavours of cherry, raspberry, and a touch of pepper, with a smooth and balanced, medium-bodied finish. Great for every day drinking and perfect with red meats.



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VICTORY POINT MALLEE ROOT 2021

"Winners Wine!"

An absolute winner of a wine, Victory Point holds a special place for our store and has been featured at Liberty Liquors since we opened our doors. An elegant Bordeaux blend style, combining Cabernet Sauvignon, Petit Verdot and Malbec, this wine has aromas of currant, red fruit, aniseed and some floral notes. The palate is supported by subtle oak with flavours of black currant and dark cherry, with a smooth and rich finish.



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LANGMEIL VALLEY FLOOR SHIRAZ 2021

"Fantastic!"

Another wine from the Amazing 2021 South Australian vintage. The wine opens with rich, vibrant aromas of plum, mulberry, and delicate floral notes, mixed in with a sweet spice, chocolate, and some subtle savoury notes. On the palate, there are ripe plum, mocha, bramble, vanilla and spice flavours complemented by a velvety finish.





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