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Grant Burge Shadrach Cabernet Sauvignon

Vintage 2005 RRP \$55.00

NS: Grant Burge is passionate about his Cabernet. Plenty of strapping dark fruits and deep-seated intensity here. Brassy oak weighs in amid leaves and herbs, this is a true Cabernet with a long resounding finish.

www.grantburgewines.com.au



94 points

Kaesler The Bogan Shiraz

Vintage 2006 RRP \$50.00

NS: As the name suggests, this is Kaesler's no-holds-barred, pedal-to-the-metal Shiraz and they've got the fruit to handle it. Sourced from older vineyards, it has luscious blackberry and plum fruit, supple tannins and bundles of flavour.

www.kaesler.com.au



95 points

Wirra Wirra The Angelus Cabernet Sauvignon

Vintage 2006 RRP \$60.00

TS: This is world class Cabernet at a very reasonable price. Its rich fruit is layered with barrel fermentation complexity, gamey notes and spice, supported by complex dark chocolate oak flavours. Integrated, balanced and tight with grippy, fit tannins and great line and length.

info@wirra.com.au



94 points

Kalleske Greenock Shiraz

Vintage 2006 RRP \$40.00

NS: Sourced from the Kalleske's Greenock property, this rich Shiraz oozes dark fruit, chocolate and sweet earthy aromas. There's genuine harmony here, it's balanced with long flavours, fine tannins and many years ahead.

www.kalleske.com



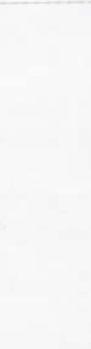
95 points

Flametree Cabernet Merlot

Vintage 2007 RRP \$25.00

NS: This delicious Margaret River Claret took the Jimmy Watson Trophy in 2008. Bottled, released and available now (be quick!), this is a charming leaf and cassis Cab Merlot, sitting elegantly across the palate, easy, balanced and begging to be drunk right now.

info@flametreevines.com



93 points

Maverick Greenock Rise Shiraz

Vintage 2006 RRP \$55.00

NS: Maverick's dark, brooding Greenock Shiraz convincingly pushes the ripeness envelope with rich dark berry and plum fruits. Dressed nicely in toasted spices, the oak is cast in a supporting role of structure and texture.

www.maverickwines.com.au



94 points

Gemtree Taty Road Cabernet Sauvignon Petit Verdot Merlot Cabernet Franc

Vintage 2006 RRP \$18.00

TS: The only thing that doesn't fit with this wine is its price. 40 year old vines contribute fresh, lively fruit and inky blackcurrant flavours amid hints of Christmas cake spice. The blending and woodwork are spot on, producing a wine of harmonious balance and fresh fruit focus. Sensational value.

gemtree@senef.com.au



92 points

Paringa Estate Peninsula Shiraz

Vintage 2006 RRP \$25.00

TS: With a bouquet of lifted florals and gamey complexity, this is a beautifully fragrant wine, packed with five spice and star anise and a faint whiff of cigar smoke which lingers on a seamless finish. This is the best Peninsula Shiraz from Paringa ever, and it remains quite a bargain.

info@paringaestate.com.au



94 points

SHIRAZ & BLENDS**John Duval Eligo Shiraz**

Vintage 2005 RRP \$105.00

NS: Duval's new top-flight Shiraz is, as you'd expect, spot on. Precise blackberry fruit aromas, gently tarry notes, it's eaten up the finest French oak and smells bright and elegant. The palate has plum and dark berry flavours, with finely defined tannins.

www.johnduvalwines.com



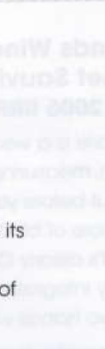
96 points

Two Hands Wines Max's Garden Heathcote Shiraz

Vintage 2007 RRP \$60.00

TS: This SA Shiraz specialist is quickly proving its expertise further afield. The secret to the balance, aromatic fruit and lively acidity in this juicy Shiraz is its origin in the cool, southern part of Heathcote. The palate is finely structured and built around a core of dense black fruit.

mail@twohandswines.com



93 points