



## *Rob's Monthly Pick's*

**Taylors 2015 Estate Clare Valley Riesling      89/100      \$16.00**

The thermo sensor on the back said I had it too warm, love the idea. Pineapple, passion fruit and lime aromas. The palate drives well with ripe fruit and rich flavours in the pineapple lime spectrum. Quite big and quite Clare. Good length at the price and with the temperature gauge to help the settings I see success on the horizon.

**Forbes & Forbes 2015 Single Vineyard Riesling      92/100      \$20.00**

Aromas are gentle and interesting with a honeysuckle edge to the usual Eden Valley lemony riesling. The palate has roundness to the fleshy fruits in a range of lemons and the acidity is an undertow, not a current, shaping the flavour length to linger. Tight structured and delicate with a sense of understatement and poise. Very good value.

**Helm 2015 Classic Dry Canberra Riesling      95/100      \$35.00**

Plenty of alert and lively fruit here, twitching like a dogs ears at the park to go for a run. The palate lands full, ripe, and well balanced, with depth and length of taunt citrus running lemon lime flavours and gentle orange like acidity rather than searing lemony acid. The best of this line in recent times.

**Patina 2013 Reserve Chardonnay      95/100      \$30.00**

Smart nose, contemporary and balanced; ripe fruits, pear into grapefruits, savoury flinty solids fermentation, and gentle oak are the winemakers contribution in the aromas. The palate has fabulous structure. A concentrated complexity with the acidity creating a vibrant length to the wine's layers of pear, Weetbix, oatmeal, flinty and running white peach to finish, wrapped in pear skin like tannins. Great value.

**Heifer Station 2014 Orange Shiraz      94/100      \$30.00**

White pepper, raspberry and a lovely balance of spice, fruit and finesse to the aromas. The palate is a great modern medium bodied red with raspberry into red cherry fruit ripeness in the middle mouth. The dry tannins have a food friendly firmness to close the wine.



**Tim Adams 2012 The Aberfeldy 95/100 \$65.00**

A very elegant wine. The polished seamless aromas show mocha, dark berry fruits, blackberry, and dark chocolate with polish and poise. The palate has the requisite fruit sweetness, dark fruit flavours and oak complexity, balance and fine tannins. The style is earnest and understated, and the polished texture less dependent on ripe swagger than many in the neighbourhood. The innate understanding shows in the refinement across aromas, palate, finish and ageability. Better after 2018.

**Baileys of Glenrowan 2013 Petit Syrah 94/100 \$27.00**

Very good full bodied colour. Aromas are vibrant in the roast meaty raisin tar and graphite and savoury way. The full bodied palate has ripe density, plenty of quality long earthy date flavours. Elegant for the scale of the wine with a savoury firm finish.

**Baileys of Glenrowan 2013 Durif 92/100 \$27.00**

Mocha vanilla spice, and dark roasted oak notes with juicy dark plum and rich fruits to the perfumes. Ripe fruited and generous, the sweet oak builds a solid ripe back drop into this wine offering full bodied red grippy tannins, and the ability to age. Drink up to 20 years.

**Kingston Estate 2014 Echelon Petit Verdot 87/100 \$25.00**

From the top down this aroma has complexity with blueberry, raisins, fruits, dried herbs and gum leaf. The palate is massive, full bodied with silky tannins and even length. A raisins and plum pudding middle palate and dry dark licorice laced firm finish. A good introduction to the variety.

**Brookland Valley 2014 Valley Verse 1 Cabernet Merlot 90/100 \$15.00**

Good black fruits; black currant, blackberry and violet like floral ripeness. The palate is so easy drinking, soft tannins, and round fruit filled crowd pleasing berry fruits without excessive "winemaking". Good fruit flavours with tannins that won't scare the crowd.