

AUSTRALIA

Still the most popular source for wine drinkers in the U.K. be they On-Trade or Off-Trade. Our objective remains to provide you with a range of impeccably made wines which are mostly exclusive to H. B. Clark in the North of England. The following Australian wineries are not as well known as some but very well worth considering.

Three Australian vineyards praised throughout the industry for their persistent pursuit of quality.

NUGAN ESTATE RM WINES

Founded in the 1940s by Alfredo Nugan who had emigrated from Spain. Today Nugan is a very large family concern but all their grapes are grown in their own vineyards. Nugan Estate has been very successful in trade competitions and has risen to being in the top twelve Australian wine exporters. To quote the Wine Library "As this portfolio of wines attest, Nugan continues to focus on quality from top to bottom".

THORN-CLARKE

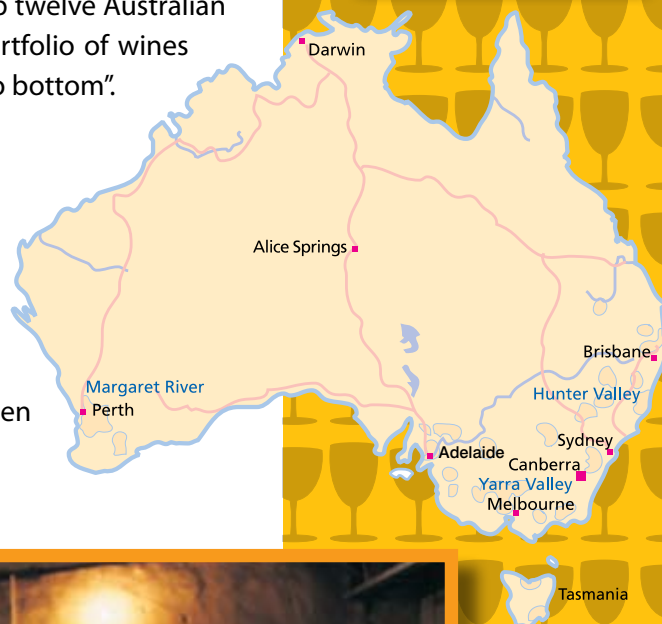
Is another 5 star winery from the Barossa. James Halliday gave it that honour in 2008 well after we had decided to list the wines. Why 5 stars? Because Thorn-Clarke own four vineyard sites and lavish every possible care on developing complex and elegant wines which demonstrate the balance between fruit, tannin and acidity to supreme effect.

GRANT BURGE

Grant Burge is a fifth generation winemaker in his own right. He is now the largest independent vineyard owner in the Barossa Valley but continues to monitor carefully the quality and yields from his grapes. James Halliday, Australian wine expert, praises "this industry veteran who makes consistently good, full-flavoured and smooth wines".

What has made Australia so popular ?

In 1986, not much more than 60,000 tonnes' weight of Shiraz was crushed mostly for fortified wines like sherries and ports. In 2005, nearly 500,000 tonnes were used - nearly all for table wine. Drinkers appreciate the fruit driven styles, simple approach to wine labelling and innovative attitudes to blending.



RED

	Taste Guide	Trade Sales Price
<p>Auction House Shiraz</p> <p>Stylishly presented with rich and flavoursome fruit made by an award winning winery.</p>	C	£3.63
<p>The Landings Shiraz Cabernet</p> <p>The spicy Shiraz fruit blends perfectly with the bramble and blackcurrant concentration of the Cabernet.</p>	B	£3.83
<p>Rosemount Road Red</p> <p>Combines the richness of Shiraz, the vibrant fruit of Grenache and the generous texture of Mataro (Mourvedre's Oz name). Smooth and easy drinking from a very reliable, consistent producer.</p>	C	£3.91
<p>ff Larks' Ridge Shiraz Cabernet</p> <p>A soft rounded easy drinking red with a light but spicy finish.</p>	C	£3.99
<p>Nugan Estate RM Cabernet Sauvignon</p> <p>Carefully made Cabernet Sauvignon from very ripe grapes and a controlled fermentation. Result - a wine packed with classic blackcurrant and mint tastes.</p>	C	£4.73
<p>Nugan Estate RM Shiraz</p> <p>Blackberries and bilberries to the fore with a very enticing combination of bouquet and taste. Excellent Shiraz.</p>	D	£4.73
<p>Currabridge Shiraz Cabernet</p> <p>Ripe plum and cherry fruit is evident on the nose and on the palate with vanilla from the subtle use of American oak.</p>	C	£4.73
<p>Grant Burge Merlot GB43</p> <p>Smooth and velvety with a lingering finish and lots of spicy fruit in the mouth. Full flavoured, powerful fruit.</p>	C	£4.79
<p>Grant Burge Shiraz GB56</p> <p>Deep Shiraz colour with aromas of black pepper and spice. Flavours of both red and black fruits complemented by careful use of oak to give a long finish.</p>	D	£4.79
<p>Jacob's Creek Shiraz Cabernet</p> <p>Australia's most famous brand after kangaroos but very much more drinkable.</p>	D	£4.85
<p>Cock and Bull Shiraz</p> <p>The Cock and Bull range is an example of the really excellent value still available in Australia to those who know where to look. A New World unblended Shiraz of quality with loads of fruit and flavour.</p>	C	£4.85
<p>Grant Burge Fifth Generation Cabernet Merlot</p> <p>A bright purple colour with a complex but charming bouquet of blackcurrant, mint, cedar and ripe plums. Medium-bodied with a soft, fruity but lasting aftertaste.</p>	D	£5.45





RED

Thorn-Clarke Cabernet Sauvignon

Made from carefully selected fruit from premium Barossa vineyards. This is a class act full of rich, elegant black fruit flavours with soft tannins giving great structure, finesse and balance in the finish.

Taste Guide

Trade Sales Price

C

£6.79

Sirromet Granite Belt Burnbelt

A rarity from Queensland, this is an intriguing blend of Australia's four major red grapes. The result has been aged in oak for twelve months and is both very attractive to drink and very full of flavour.

C

£7.60



Murray Street Vineyards The Barossa

Murray Street is the boutique vineyard in the Barossa Valley belonging to the Seppelt family - one of Australia's greatest wine families. This is a most elegant and well-crafted blend which shows just how delicious and accessible great Australian wine can be. Very like a good Chateauf.

C

£9.19



Murray Street Vineyards Shiraz

Brightly coloured, the aromas and flavours are very fruity and bring to mind cherries and fresh plums. Very well balanced with a refreshing moreish finish.

D

£9.19



ROSÉ

Rosemount Road Rosé

Lots of vibrant, intense red berry fruit flavours and a luscious, generous finish. Produced by a well known estate in a modern presentation with a triangular label.

2B

£3.91

Grant Burge Rosé GB11

Ripe raspberry fruit balanced by clean, fresh acidity. Delightfully made combination of Shiraz and Grenache.

2B

£4.79

Cock and Bull Shiraz Rosé

Smooth and velvety with a lingering finish and lots of spicy fruit in the mouth.

2B

£4.85





WHITE

	Taste Guide	Trade Sales Price
Auction House Chardonnay Good example of popular Oz Chardonnay. The fruit is concentrated and married with delicate oak fusion.	2	£3.63
The Landings Colombard Chardonnay A popular combination of grapes which produce a very refreshing, fruity and tangy result on the palate.	2	£3.83
Rosemount Road White A tri-varietal of Chardonnay, Verdelho and Sauvignon Blanc giving richness, lots of tropical fruit and a zesty freshness. A very generous, rounded and soft wine with lots of moreish appeal.	2	£3.91
££ Larks' Ridge Chardonnay Semillon A subtle blend of two popular grapes, light, fresh and fruity.	2	£3.99
Nugan Estate RM Chardonnay One of the most drinkable Australian Chardonnays we have tasted. Lemony fruit and a very crisp, moreish finish.	2	£4.73
Currabridge Unwooded Chardonnay With no oak contact, this wine shows very clean ripe peach and melon fruit.	2	£4.73
Grant Burge Chardonnay Viognier GB23 A combination of refreshing lemon and peaches and cream flavours with delicious rich fruit and a crisp finish.	2	£4.79
Grant Burge Barossa Riesling Pale straw in colour, with a spicy apple and nutmeg nose this manages to be both crisp and refreshing as well as full flavoured and dry.	1	£4.79
Jacob's Creek Semillon Chardonnay Australia's most famous and best selling wine. Rich Chardonnay, oak and citrus Semillon.	3	£4.85
Cock and Bull Chardonnay Very well made and unoaked Australian Chardonnay with lots of lemon mousse fruit.	2	£4.85
Grant Burge Fifth Generation Sauvignon Blanc Rich bouquets and flavours of tropical fruits finished by a typical refreshing acidity. The best Australian Sauvignon Blanc we have tasted in its category.	1	£5.45
Thorn-Clarke Pinot Gris Pinot Gris is now being successfully grown in Australia and New Zealand where an expert winemaker such as Thorn-Clarke produces full bodied, fruity wines with lots of flavour.	2	£6.79
Anvers Chardonnay This premium Adelaide Hills Chardonnay was fermented in French oak and displays a wealth of concentrated citrus fruit flavours with a creamy texture and a long and zingy finish.	2	£9.34

