

Class 1: Sparkling White & Rosé Wine – Vintage and Non-Vintage

				Class #	Medal
Sidewood Estate	2018	Vigneron's Release Cassandra Blanc de Blancs	Adelaide Hills	1 1	
Sidewood Estate	2015	Vigneron's Release Isabella Rose	Adelaide Hills	1 2	Gold
Sidewood Estate	2016	Vigneron's Release Chloe Cuvee	Adelaide Hills	1 3	Bronze
Kyneton Ridge	NV	Sparkling Pinot Noir Chardonnay	Macedon Ranges	1 4	
Mantons Creek Estate	2021	Mendi Reserve Sparkling Cuvee	Mornington Peninsula	1 5	
Brangayne of Orange	2017	Méthode Traditionelle Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot	Orange	1 6	Bronze
Kreglinger Wine Estates	2019	Kreglinger 2019 Vintage Brut	Tasmania	1 7	Bronze
Mayfield Estate	2023	Sparkling Belle	Tasmania	1 8	Silver
Cuvée- Co Wines	2023	2023 Cuvée Nessa Blanc de Blancs	Mount Gambier	1 9	
Hickinbotham	2023	2023 Hickinbotham Cuvee	Mornington Peninsula	1 10	Bronze
Diamond Heart	2020	Waihopai Cuvee		1 11	Gold
The Ned	NV	Elio		1 12	Bronze
Diamond Heart	2020	Blanc de Blancs		1 13	Silver
Tomich Wines	2025	Sparkling Vintage Cuvée	Adelaide Hills	1 14	Bronze
Middle Arm Vineyard	2024	Sparkling Pinot Rose'	Tasmania	1 15	Bronze
Hunter's Wines	2021	MiruMiru™ Vintage		1 16	Gold
Hunter's Wines	NV	MiruMiru™		1 17	Silver
Pirie	2022	Millesime Prestige Blanc De Blanc	Tasmania	1 18	Silver
Pirie	2021	Sparkling Vintage	Tasmania	1 19	Bronze
Elgee Park	2022	Cuvee Brut	Mornington Peninsula	1 20	Bronze
Baillieu	2024	Brut	Mornington Peninsula	1 21	Bronze
SOUMAH	2020	Crescent Moon Méthode Traditionnelle	Yarra Valley	1 22	Silver
Russell and Sutor Wines	2023	Baila con Toro Pinot Noir Rose	Tasmania	1 23	Silver
Mount Avoca	2026	Organic Frizzante	Pyrenees	1 25	Silver
Foxeys Hangout	2020	Kentucky Road Sparkling White	Mornington Peninsula	1 26	Silver

Class 1 Comments:

A varied class, with different styles and quality levels and with strong contenders. Impressive old vintages still showing freshness and complexity, with some aromatic variety ticking the boxes in terms of crowd-pleasing attribute.

Class 2: Sparkling Red Wine - Vintage & Non Vintage

Class 2 Comments:

Class # Medal

Class 3: Prosecco

Corang Estate	NV	Prosecco
Michelini Wines	NV	Prosecco

Hilltops
Alpine Valleys

Class #	Medal
3 1	Bronze
3 2	Silver

Class 3 Comments:

Very small class, one wine showing a surprising amount of autolysis/development.

Class 4: Riesling 2025 & 2026

Philip Shaw	2025	Small Batch Riesling
URLAR Gladstone	2025	URLAR Dry Riesling
Patrick of Coonawarra	2026	Two Blocks Riesling
Wine by Sam	2026	The Victorian Riesling
Delatite Wines	2025	Riesling
Brangayne of Orange	2025	Riesling
Kreglinger Wine Estates	2025	Pipers Brook 2025 Riesling
Cat Amongst the Pigeons	2026	Fat Cat Eden Valley Riesling
Bream Creek Vineyard	2025	Old Vine Reserve Riesling
Mount Langi Ghiran	2026	Cliff Edge Riesling
Jack Rabbit Vineyard	2025	Riesling
Tamar Ridge	2026	Riesling
BC Wines	2026	Riesling
Elgee Park	2025	Riesling
Tamburlaine Organic Wines	2026	Reserve Riesling Orange
Tamburlaine Organic Wines	2025	Reserve Riesling Orange
Carillion Wines	2025	Origins GM198 Clone Riesling

	Class #	Medal
Orange	4 1	Silver
	4 2	
Limestone Coast	4 3	Silver
Upper Goulburn	4 4	Bronze
Upper Goulburn	4 5	Bronze
Orange	4 6	
Tasmania	4 7	Silver
Eden Valley	4 8	Bronze
Tasmania	4 9	Bronze
Grampians	4 10	
Geelong	4 11	
Tasmania	4 12	Bronze
Bendigo	4 13	Bronze
Mornington Peninsula	4 14	
Orange	4 15	Gold
Orange	4 16	Bronze
Orange	4 17	Silver

Polarising class with some overtly fruit forward wines and some early development. Wines showing freshness and varietal purity shone best

Class 5: Riesling 2024 or older					Class #	Medal
Patrick of Coonawarra	2018	Block 5 Aged Riesling	Coonawarra	5	1	
Delatite Wines	2024	Riesling	Upper Goulburn	5	2	Silver
Riversdale Estate	2024	Cygnus Riesling	Tasmania	5	3	Bronze
Devil's Corner	2024	Resolution Riesling	Tasmania	5	4	Silver
Tamburlaine Organic Wines	2024	Reserve Riesling Orange	Orange	5	5	Gold
Russell and Suitor Wines	2024	Cazadora Riesling	Tasmania	5	6	Silver

Small class, some were over developed, with the best showing discerning acidity drive and energy and plenty of ageability

Class 6: Sauvignon Blanc 2025 & 2026				Class #		Medal
URLAR Gladstone	2026	URLAR Moon Drops Sauvignon Blanc		6	1	Silver
ME By Matahiwi Estate	2026	ME By Matahiwi Estate Sauvignon Blanc		6	2	Bronze
The Ned	2026	Sauvignon Blanc		6	3	Silver
The Ned	2025	Skyscraper Sauvignon Blanc		6	4	Bronze
The Ned	2025	909 Summit Sauvignon Blanc		6	5	Bronze
Leefield Station	2025	Sauvignon Blanc		6	6	Silver
Emma Marris	2026	Sauvignon Blanc		6	7	
Riversdale Estate	2025	Estate Sauvignon Blanc		6	8	
Hunter's Wines	2026	Sauvignon Blanc		6	9	Gold
Hunter's Wines	2025	Offshoot Sauvignon Blanc		6	10	
Sondara Estate	2026	Sauvignon Blanc		6	11	Gold
Sew & Sew	2026	Adelaide Hills 'Sashiko' Sauvignon Blanc		6	12	
Tamburlaine Organic Wines	2026	Sauvignon Blanc		6	13	Bronze

Michellini Wines	2026	Sauvignon Blanc	Alpine Valleys	6	14	
The Lane Vineyard	2026	Sauvignon Blanc	Adelaide Hills	6	15	Gold
Bell & Gong	2025	Sauvignon Blanc	Tasmania	6	16	Bronze
Russell and Suitor Wines	2026	Son of a Bull Sauvignon Blanc	Tasmania	6	17	
Mount Avoca	2026	Estate Organic Sauvignon Blanc	Pyrenees	6	18	Bronze

Class 6 Comments:

An interesting class with many varietal examples. Some used some oak, other rewarded the fruit purity and vibrancy, but overall, it was a strong class that created a lot of conversation around the table.

Class 7: Sauvignon Blanc 2024 or older

				Class #	Medal
Philip Shaw	2024	no19	Orange	7 1	Bronze

Class 7 Comments:

The wine showed some decent development, which was a shame to see given the nice framework and aromatic profile.

Class 8: Pinot Gris or Grigio 2025 & 2026

				Class #	Medal
Colmar Estate	2025	Pinot Gris	Orange	8 1	Withdrawn
Pizzini	2026	Pavona Pinot Grigio	King Valley	8 2	Silver
Portsea Estate	2025	Back Beach Pinot Gris	Mornington Peninsula	8 3	Bronze
Eastford Creek Vineyard	2025	Pinot Gris	Tasmania	8 4	
ME By Matahiwi Estate	2026	ME By Matahiwi Estate Pinot Gris		8 5	Bronze
Farmer & The Scientist	2026	Pinot Grigio	Alpine Valleys	8 6	Bronze
Wine by Sam	2026	The Victorian Pinot Gris	Strathbogie Ranges	8 7	Bronze
Delatite Wines	2025	Pinot Gris	Upper Goulburn	8 8	
Brangayne of Orange	2025	Pinot Grigio	Orange	8 9	
Mayfield Estate	2025	Pinot Gris	Tasmania	8 10	Silver
Leura Park Estate	2025	Pinot Gris	Geelong	8 11	Bronze
Hickinbotham	2025	Pinot gris	Mornington Peninsula	8 12	
Leefield Station	2025	Pinot Gris		8 13	Bronze
Devil Made Pinot	2025	Pinot Gris	Adelaide Hills	8 14	Bronze

Cloudbreak Wines	2026	Nouveau Collection Pinot Gris	Adelaide Hills	8	15	Silver
Tomich Wines	2026	Woodside Vineyard Pinot Gris	Adelaide Hills	8	16	
Mount Langi Ghiran	2026	Billi Billi Pinot Gris	Grampians	8	17	Bronze
Riposte Wines	2025	The Stiletto Pinot Gris	Adelaide Hills	8	18	Bronze
Roots	2025	Amphora Pinot Gris	Bendigo	8	19	
BC Wines	2025	Pinot Gris	Bendigo	8	20	
BC Wines	2026	Pinot Gris	Bendigo	8	21	
Sew & Sew	2026	Adelaide Hills 'Sashiko' Pinot Gris	Adelaide Hills	8	22	Bronze
Tamburlaine Organic Wines	2026	Pinot Gris	Orange	8	23	Silver
Vinteloper	2025	White Label Pinot Gris	Adelaide Hills	8	24	
Bell & Gong	2025	Valleyfield Vineyard Pinot Gris	Tasmania	8	25	Silver
Pt. Leo Estate	2025	Pinot Gris	Mornington Peninsula	8	26	Silver
Foxeys Hangout	2025	Kentucky Road	Mornington Peninsula	8	27	
Tallarida	2025	Pinot Grigio	Mornington Peninsula	8	28	
Bangor Vineyard	2026	Jimmy's Hill Pinot Gris	Tasmania	8	29	Withdrawn

Class 8 Comments:

Big class with many styles at different levels of intensity and with some obvious stylistics' choice. e would love to see more personality into this category, as at times seems to be guided more by marketing trends.

Class 9: Pinot Gris or Grigio 2024 or older

Gala Estate	2023	The Heirloom's Series Pinot Gris	Tasmania	9	1	
Nevis Bluff	2024	Single Vineyard Dry Pinot Gris		9	2	Bronze

Class 9 Comments:

One example showing obvious development, while the other ticked all the boxes for a quaffable, easy drinking style.

Class 10: Chardonnay 2025 & 2026

				Class #	Medal
Sidewood Estate	2025	Mappinga Chardonnay	Adelaide Hills	10 1	Gold
Merricks Estate	2025	Chardonnay	Mornington Peninsula	10 2	Silver
Indigo Vineyard	2025	Small Batch Chardonnay	Beechworth	10 3	Silver
Indigo Vineyard	2025	Secret Village Chardonnay	Beechworth	10 4	Bronze
Tar & Roses	2025	2025 Tar & Roses Chardonnay	Mornington Peninsula	10 5	Silver
Corang Estate	2025	Chardonnay	Tumbarumba	10 6	
Portsea Estate	2025	Back Beach Chardonnay	Mornington Peninsula	10 7	Gold
Portsea Estate	2025	Main Ridge Vineyard Chardonnay	Mornington Peninsula	10 8	Silver
Portsea Estate	2025	Stonecutters Chardonnay	Mornington Peninsula	10 9	Bronze
Eastford Creek Vineyard	2025	Chardonnay	Tasmania	10 10	Bronze
Ross Hill Wines	2025	Pinnacle Series Chardonnay	Orange	10 11	Not Received
Leura Park Estate	2025	Block 1 Chardonnay	Geelong	10 12	Bronze
Yes said the Seal	2025	Chardonnay	Geelong	10 13	Bronze
Hickinbotham	2025	Chardonnay	Mornington Peninsula	10 14	
Leefield Station	2025	Chardonnay		10 15	Withdrawn
The Ned	2025	Chardonnay		10 16	Bronze
The Ned	2025	Skyscraper Chardonnay		10 17	Silver
Emma Marris	2025	Chardonnay		10 18	Gold
Worlds Apart	2025	Piccadilly	Piccadilly Valley	10 19	Withdrawn
Riversdale Estate	2025	Estate Chardonnay	Tasmania	10 20	
Cloudbreak Wines	2025	Premier Chardonnay	Adelaide Hills	10 21	
Tomich Wines	2025	ICON I10V1 Chardonnay	Adelaide Hills	10 22	
Middle Arm Vineyard	2025	Chardonnay 2025	Tasmania	10 23	Bronze
Hunter's Wines	2025	Offshoot Chardonnay		10 24	Silver
Hunter's Wines	2025	Chardonnay		10 25	Bronze
Jack Rabbit Vineyard	2025	Chardonnay	Geelong	10 26	Silver
Sew & Sew	2025	Adelaide Hills 'Contour' Chardonnay	Adelaide Hills	10 27	Bronze
Elgee Park	2025	Chardonnay	Mornington Peninsula	10 28	Silver
Baillieu	2025	Chardonnay	Mornington Peninsula	10 29	Gold
SOUMAH	2025	Hexham Vineyard Chardonnay	Yarra Valley	10 30	Bronze
SOUMAH	2025	Upper Ngumby Vineyard	Yarra Valley	10 31	Bronze
Tamburlaine Organic Wines	2025	Reserve Chardonnay Orange	Orange	10 32	
Marnong Estate	2025	Weatherstone Single Vineyard Chardonnay	Sunbury	10 33	Bronze
The Lane Vineyard	2025	Estate Chardonnay	Adelaide Hills	10 34	Bronze

Hounds of the Vine	2025	Emmett's Chardonnay	Geelong	10	35	
FIVE Vineyard	2025	Reserve Chardonnay	Port Phillip	10	36	Bronze
FIVE Vineyard	2025	Estate Chardonnay	Port Phillip	10	37	Bronze
Bell & Gong	2025	Valleyfield Vineyard Chardonnay	Tasmania	10	38	Silver
Russell and Suitor Wines	2025	Cazadora Chardonnay	Tasmania	10	39	Bronze
Mount Avoca	2025	Estate Organic Chardonnay	Pyrenees	10	40	Silver
Hanging Rock Winery	2025	Jim Jim	Macedon Ranges	10	41	Silver
Foxeys Hangout	2025	Scotsworth Farm	Mornington Peninsula	10	42	Gold
Viscosi Wine's redhill	2025	Viscosi Chardonnay	Mornington Peninsula	10	43	
Tallarida	2025	Rovere	Mornington Peninsula	10	44	

Class 10 Comments:

Exceptional class, many strong wines at the end of the two spectrums. Few were ripe and little too oak driven but overall, the consensus was that Chardonnay reigns supreme and different styles suit the variety and can appeal to different palates. 5 Golds awarded and plenty of discussion around those with different preferences

Class 11: Chardonnay 2024

			Class #	Medal
Philip Shaw	2024	No11	11 1	Silver
Sidewood Estate	2024	Vigneron's Release Owen's Chardonnay	11 2	Silver
URLAR Gladstone	2024	URLAR Chardonnay	11 3	
Southern Light Vineyards	2024	2024 Southern Light Vineyards Ghostgum Chardonnay	11 4	Bronze
Southern Light Vineyards	2024	2024 Southern Light Vineyards Lightfall Chardonnay	11 5	Gold
Southern Light Vineyards	2024	2024 Southern Light Vineyards Seven Slopes of Rising	11 6	Silver
Portsea Estate	2024	Stonecutters Chardonnay	11 7	
Eastford Creek Vineyard	2024	Chardonnay	11 8	Silver
Mayfield Estate	2024	Chardonnay	11 9	
Mantons Creek Estate	2024	Hillside Block Single Vineyard Chardonnay	11 10	Silver
Kaleidoscope	2024	Tumbarumba Chardonnay	11 11	Silver
Nevis Bluff	2024	Single Vineyard Chardonnay	11 12	
Tamar Ridge	2024	Chardonnay	11 13	Bronze
Devil's Corner	2024	Mt Baudin Chardonnay	11 14	Silver
Solace	2024	Chardonnay	11 15	
Lane's End Vineyard	2024	Lane's End Macedon Ranges Chardonnay	11 16	
Tamburlaine Organic Wines	2024	Point 65 Chardonnay	11 17	

Michellini Wines	2024	Chardonnay	Alpine Valleys	11	18	
Marnong Estate	2024	Single Vineyard Chardonnay	Sunbury	11	19	Silver
The Lane Vineyard	2024	Heritage Chardonnay	Adelaide Hills	11	20	Gold
BELLARINE HILL	2024	BELLARINE HILL CHARDONNAY 2024	Geelong	11	21	
Vinteloper	2024	White Label Chardonnay	Adelaide Hills	11	22	Bronze
Carillion Wines	2024	Origins Crystals Chardonnay	Orange	11	23	Bronze
Pt. Leo Estate	2024	Chardonnay	Mornington Peninsula	11	24	Silver
Viscosi Wine's redhill	2024	Viscosi Chardonnay	Mornington Peninsula	11	25	

Class 11 Comments:

Lots of discussion here across some excellent expressions of cool climate chardonnay. Nice variation in the high medals including vibrant, mineral and citrus driven styles plus some richer styles with complexing sulphide (in check), quality oak/lees work and judicious malo. Balance with power.

Class 12: Chardonnay 2023 or older

				Class #	Medal
Devil's Corner	2023	Resolution Chardonnay	Tasmania	12 1	Silver

Class 12 Comments:

Single 2023 wine held its line nicely for Silver, retaining freshness with good fruit core and nice complexity

Class 13: Dry Italian White var. 2025 & 2026 (Incl. Friulano, Gargenega (Soave), Cortese, Arneis etc)

				Class #	Medal
Philip Shaw	2025	Small Batch Arneis	Orange	13 1	Silver
Sew & Sew	2026	Adelaide Hills 'Sashiko' Fiano	Adelaide Hills	13 2	Gold
SOUMAH	2026	Nebbiolo Bianco	Yarra Valley	13 3	Bronze
Foxeys Hangout	2025	Fiano	Mornington Peninsula	13 4	Bronze

Class 13 Comments:

Small bracket with 2 lovely fresh styles. Best wine was a Fiano with great varietal character, drive and freshness

Class 14: Dry Italian White var. 2024 or older (Incl. Friulano, Gargarnega (Soave), Cortese, Arneis etc)

Class # Score Medal

Class 14 Comments:

Class 15: Other Dry White var. 2025 & 2026 (Viognier, Gerwurztraminer etc)

			Class #	Medal
Capital Wines	2025	The Crossbencher Viognier	15 1	
Kreglinger Wine Estates	2025	Pipers Brook 2025 Gewurztraminer	15 2	Silver
Philip Shaw	2026	The Dreamer	15 3	Bronze
Brave Roots Wine	2025	Viognier	15 4	Bronze
SOUMAH	2026	Hexham Vineyard Savarro	15 5	Silver
Tamburlaine Organic Wines	2025	Wine Lovers Field Blend	15 6	Silver
Russell and Suitor Wines	2025	Son of a Bull Riesling, Pinot Gris, Gewurztraminer	15 7	Bronze
Mount Avoca	2026	Estate Organic Viognier	15 8	Silver
Foxeys Hangout	2025	Viognier	15 9	

Class 15 Comments:

A mixed bag, some overtly sweet and overripe styles but a handful of nicely handled and well made wines. Sadly no golds in this class

Class 16: Other Dry White var. 2024 or older (Viognier, Gerwurztraminer etc)

			Class #	Medal
Mantons Creek Estate	2021	Cellar Door Block Gewurztraminer	16 1	
Delatite Wines	2024	Deadman's Hill	16 2	
Brave Roots Wine	2024	Gruner Veltliner	16 3	Bronze
BELLARINE HILL	2024	BELLARINE HILL SEMILLON 2024	16 4	Silver
Cavalry Wines	2019	Junea	16 5	Bronze

Class 16 Comments:

Interesting mixed class of whites with some age. Best wine a surprisingly vibrant Semillon blend with typicity and drive.

Class 17: Dessert Wine

The Ned	2025	Noble Sauvignon Blanc				17	1	Gold
Mount Avoca	2024	Estate Organic Late Harvest Viognier	Pyrenees			17	2	Silver

Class 17 Comments:

Couple of good examples with bright fruit and balanced acid & sweetness.

Class 18: Rose 2025 & 2026

Class 18: Rose 2025 & 2026					Class #		Medal
Sidewood Estate	2025	Estate Rose	Adelaide Hills	18	1	Silver	
Portsea Estate	2025	Rose	Mornington Peninsula	18	2		
ME By Matahiwi Estate	2026	ME By Matahiwi Estate Rose		18	3	Bronze	
Delatite Wines	2025	Tempranillo Rose	Upper Goulburn	18	4	Bronze	
Mayfield Estate	2025	Rose	Tasmania	18	5	Bronze	
The Ned	2026	Rose		18	6	Silver	
Middle Arm Vineyard	2025	Pinot Noir Rose'	Tasmania	18	7		
Jack Rabbit Vineyard	NV	Rose	Geelong	18	8		
Sondara Estate	2026	Rosé	Southern Highlands	18	9	Bronze	
Sondara Esrtate	2025	Rosé	Southern Highlands	18	10		
SOUMAH	2026	Ai Fiori Rosato	Yarra Valley	18	11	Silver	
Maclean bay wines	2026	Pinot rose	Tasmania	18	12	Bronze	
Carillion Wines	2026	Expressions Rose	Orange	18	13	Bronze	
Pt. Leo Estate	2025	Rose	Mornington Peninsula	18	14	Bronze	
Mount Avoca	2026	Moates Lane Organic Rose	Pyrenees	18	15	Silver	

Class 18 Comments:

Wine with freshness and purity, and an interesting vibrancy in fruit were awarded. There were few instances of reduction and oxidation and those obviously were pushed back.

Class 19: Rose 2024 or older

Class 19 Comments:

Class # Medal

Class 20: Pinot Noir 2025 & 2026

			Class #	Medal
Birchwood Lane	2025	Old Vineyard Pinot Noir	Mornington Peninsula 20 1	Withdrawn
Sidewood Estate	2025	Vigneron's Release Oberlin	Adelaide Hills 20 2	Silver
Sidewood Estate	2025	Estate Pinot Noir	Adelaide Hills 20 3	Silver
Merricks Estate	2025	Pinot Noir	Mornington Peninsula 20 4	
Indigo Vineyard	2025	Pinot Noir	Beechworth 20 5	Bronze
Tar & Roses	2025	2025 Tar & Roses Pinot Noir	Mornington Peninsula 20 6	Silver
Portsea Estate	2025	Back Beach Pinot Noir	Mornington Peninsula 20 7	Silver
Portsea Estate	2025	Portsea Vineyard Pinot Noir	Mornington Peninsula 20 8	Bronze
Portsea Estate	2025	Main Ridge Vineyard Pinot Noir	20 9	Bronze
Portsea Estate	2025	Birthday Hill Pinot Noir	Mornington Peninsula 20 10	Silver
Eastford Creek Vineyard	2025	Wheelwright Pinot Noir	Tasmania 20 11	Bronze
Eastford Creek Vineyard	2025	Blacksmith Pinot Noir	Tasmania 20 12	Silver
Wine By Sam	2026	Stardust and Muscle Pinot Noir	Yarra Valley 20 13	
Kreglinger Wine Estates	2025	Pipers Brook 2025 Pinot Noir Single Vineyard	Tasmania 20 14	
Kreglinger Wine Estates	2025	Pipers Brook 2025 Pinot Noir Estate	Tasmania 20 15	Silver
Hickinbotham	2025	Pinot noir	Mornington Peninsula 20 16	Bronze
The Ned	2025	Skyscraper Pinot Noir	20 17	Gold
Emma Marris	2025	Pinot Noir	20 18	Bronze
Stonyfell	2025	Waymaker Adelaide Hills Pinot Noir	Adelaide Hills 20 19	Bronze
Cat Amongst the Pigeons	2025	Fat Cat Adelaide Hills Pinot Noir	Adelaide Hills 20 20	Gold
TREAND	2025	Estate Pinot Noir	20 21	Bronze
TREAND	2025	Reserve Pinot Noir	20 22	Silver
Riversdale Estate	2025	Estate Pinot Noir	Tasmania 20 23	Bronze
Tomich Wines	2025	Woodside Vineyard Pinot Noir	Adelaide Hills 20 24	Bronze
Devil Made Pinot	2025	Pinot Noir	Adelaide Hills 20 25	Silver
Cloudbreak Wines	2025	Premier Pinot Noir	Adelaide Hills 20 26	Bronze

Tomich Wines	2025	ICON 777 Pinot Noir	Adelaide Hills	20	Bronze
Bream Creek Vineyard	2025	Reserve Pinot Noir	Tasmania	20	Gold
Bream Creek Vineyard	2025	Pinot Noir	Tasmania	20	Silver
Hunter's Wines	2025	Offshoot Pinot Noir		20	Bronze
Hunter's Wines	2025	Pinot Noir		20	Bronze
Riposte Wines	2025	The Sabre Pinot Noir	Adelaide Hills	20	Silver
Riposte Wines	2025	Peacemaker Pinot Noir	Adelaide Hills	20	Silver
The Bluff	2025	Pinot Noir		20	Bronze
Nevis Bluff	2025	Reserve The Holdsworth Pinot Noir		20	Bronze
Jack Rabbit Vineyard	2025	Pinot Noir	Geelong	20	Silver
Elgee Park	2025	Pinot Noir	Mornington Peninsula	20	Silver
Elgee Park	2025	777 Pinot Noir	Mornington Peninsula	20	Silver
Baillieu	2025	Pinot Noir	Mornington Peninsula	20	Gold
SOUMAH	2025	Upper Ngumby Vineyard Pinot Noir	Yarra Valley	20	Silver
SOUMAH	2025	Hexham Vineyard Pinot Noir	Yarra Valley	20	Bronze
Tamburlaine Organic Wines	2025	Point 65 Pinot Noir	Orange	20	
Tamburlaine Organic Wines	2025	Reserve Pinot Noir Orange	Orange	20	
Marnong Estate	2025	Weatherstone Single Vineyard Pinot noir	Sunbury	20	Bronze
Marnong Estate	2025	Heart Single Vineyard	Sunbury	20	Bronze
Maclean Bay Wines	2025	Pinot Noir	Tasmania	20	Silver
Maclean Bay Wines	2025	Basket Pressed Pinot Noir	Tasmania	20	Bronze
FIVE Vineyard	2025	Estate Pinot Noir	Port Phillip	20	Bronze
Carillion Wines	2025	Origins Six Clones Pinot Noir	Orange	20	
Bell & Gong	2025	Flying Mile Pinot Noir	Tasmania	20	
Bell & Gong	2025	Valleyfield Vineyard Pinot Noir	Tasmania	20	
Russell and Suitor Wines	2025	Son of a Bull Pinot Noir	Tasmania	20	Silver
Mount Avoca	2025	Moates Lane Organic Pinot Noir	Pyrenees	20	Silver
Hanging Rock Winery	2025	Macedon Ranges	Macedon Ranges	20	
Foxeys Hangout	2025	Morning Sun Vineyard - Pinot Noir	Mornington Peninsula	20	Silver
Foxeys Hangout	2025	Pinot Noir	Mornington Peninsula	20	Gold
Foxeys Hangout	2025	Lee Bros. Pinot Noir	Mornington Peninsula	20	Silver
Viscosi Wine's redhill	2025	Viscosi wine's Pinot noir 25	Mornington Peninsula	20	
Bangor Vineyard	2025	Captain Spotswood Pinot Noir	Tasmania	20	Withdrawn
Bangor Vineyard	2025	Abel Tasman Pinot Noir	Tasmania	20	Withdrawn

Class 20 Comments:

Strong class overall. Wines that balanced fruit ripeness, whole bunch, judicious oak and balance overall were rewarded. Some questions over extraction and overt drying tannins.

Class 21: Pinot Noir 2024

			Class #	Medal
Philip Shaw	2024 No08	Orange	21 1	Silver
Birchwood Lane	2024 Pinot Noir	Mornington Peninsula	21 2	Silver
URLAR Gladstone	2024 URLAR Pinot Noir		21 3	Bronze
Southern Light Vineyards	2024 2024 Southern Light Vineyards Ghostgum Pinot Noir	Mornington Peninsula	21 4	Bronze
Southern Light Vineyards	2024 2024 Southern Light Vineyards Seven Slopes of Rising	Yarra Valley	21 5	Silver
Portsea Estate	2024 Portsea Vineyard Pinot Noir	Mornington Peninsula	21 6	Silver
Eastford Creek Vineyard	2024 Blacksmith Pinot Noir	Tasmania	21 7	
ME By Matahiwi Estate	2024 ME By Matahiwi Estate Pinot Noir		21 8	
Gala Estate	2024 'The Settlers' Pinot Noir	Tasmania	21 9	Gold
Kyneton Ridge	2024 Pinot Noir Reserve	Macedon Ranges	21 10	Bronze
Leura Park Estate	2024 Pinot Noir	Geelong	21 11	
Yes said the Seal	2024 Pinot Noir	Geelong	21 12	
Leefield Station	2024 Pinot Noir		21 13	Gold
Devil Made Pinot	2024 Fallen Angel limited Pinot Noir	Adelaide Hills	21 14	Bronze
Kate Hill Wines	2024 Huon Valley Pinot Noir	Tasmania	21 15	Silver
Nevis Bluff	2024 Single Vineyard Pinot Noir		21 16	
Tamar Ridge	2024 Reserve Pinot Noir	Tasmania	21 17	Bronze
Tamar Ridge	2024 Estate Pinot Noir	Tasmania	21 18	Bronze
Sondara Estate	2024 Pinot Noir	Southern Highlands	21 19	
BELLARINE HILL	2024 BELLARINE HILL PINOT NOIR 2024	Geelong	21 20	Bronze
Hounds of the Vine	2024 Pluto's Pinot Noir	Geelong	21 21	
Vinteloper	2024 Rogue Pinot Noir	Adelaide Hills	21 22	Gold
Pt. Leo Estate	2024 Pinot Noir	Mornington Peninsula	21 23	

Class 21 Comments:

Relatively strong class with 3 gold medals. Handful of green or extracted wines left out of the medals but best wines showed fruit purity, perfume, drive and balance with oak and ripe tannin profiles.

Class 22: Pinot Noir 2023 or older

			Class #	Medal
Nocton Tasmania	2022	N1 Pinot Noir	22 1	Bronze
Merricks Estate	2022	Pinot Noir	22 2	Silver
Gala Estate	2023	'Constable Amos' Grand Reserve Pinot Noir	22 3	Silver
1562 Wines	2023	Pinot Noir	22 4	
Mayfield Estate	2023	Pinot Noir	22 5	Bronze
Devil Made Pinot	2022	MV6 Pinot Noir	22 6	
Devil Made Pinot	2022	667 Pinot Noir	22 7	
Sondara Estate	2023	Pinot Noir	22 8	
Pt. Leo Estate	2021	Pinot Noir	22 9	Bronze

Class 22 Comments:

A handful of wines ageing gracefully but a few over the top with oak and extraction

Class 23: Cabernet Sauvignon 2025 & 2026

			Class #	Medal
Kilgour Wines	2025	Cabernet Sauvignon	23 1	Bronze
Tamburlaine Organic Wines	2025	On The Grapevine Cabernet Sauvignon	23 2	Gold
Tamburlaine Organic Wines	2025	Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon Orange	23 3	Silver

Class 23 Comments:

Interesting class, warmer vintage with one example clearly standing up for its beauty and finesse, more modern approach.

Class 24: Cabernet Sauvignon 2024 or older

			Class #	Medal
Patrick of Coonawarra	2021	Two Blocks Cabernet	24 1	Silver
Patrick of Coonawarra	2021	Home Block Cabernet	24 2	Bronze
Ross Hill Wines	2024	Pinnacle Series Cabernet Sauvignon	24 3	Not Received
Kyneton Ridge	2022	Cabernet Sauvignon	24 4	Silver
Riddoch Coonawarra	2022	The Federator Cabernet Sauvignon	24 5	
Riddoch Coonawarra	2023	The Pastoralist Cabernet Sauvignon	24 6	Gold
Riddoch Coonawarra	2024	Elgin's Crossing Cabernet Sauvignon	24 7	Gold

The Advocate	2024	Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon	Coonawarra	24	8	Bronze
Mount Avoca	2024	Moates Lane Organic Cabernet Sauvignon	Pyrenees	24	9	Bronze

Class 24 Comments:

Very interesting class, lot of discussion amongst the panel members and great to see such diversity. The highest recognition, in the end, went to classic style, very indicative of a cool climate region.

Class 25: Merlot 2025 & 2026

Michellini Wines	2025	Merlot	Alpine Valleys	25	1	Bronze
Bell & Gong	2025	Merlot	Tasmania	25	2	Bronze
Foxeys Hangout	2025	Merlot	Mornington Peninsula	25	3	Silver

Class 25 Comments:

A very small class with one standout that showed lovely varietal fruit definition and excellent palate structure.

Class 26: Merlot 2024 or older

Mount Avoca	2024	Estate Organic Merlot	Pyrenees	26	1	Bronze
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Class 26 Comments:

Just the one modest wine in this class

Class 27: Red Blends 2025 & 2026 (Cabernet, Merlot, Shiraz etc)

Tamburlaine Organic Wines	2025	Wine Lovers Grenache Shiraz Malbec	Orange	27	1	Bronze
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Class 27 Comments:

A blend that could have worked if it was kept around the classics as we felt the Grenache was giving an edgy, jammy angle to a Bordeaux-style blend.

Class 28: Red Blends 2024 or older (Cabernet, Merlot, Shiraz etc)

			Class #	Medal
Philip Shaw Wines	2024	No17	28 1	Bronze
Riddoch Coonawarra	2023	The Representative Cabernet Merlot	28 2	Silver
SOUMAH	2024	The Butcher Frank Wynyard Cut	28 3	Bronze

Class 28 Comments:

Small class, with three different styles and blends which were, overall, sound without going too crazy in the complexity camp to be upgraded for gold medal.

Class 29: Shiraz and Syrah 2025 & 2026

			Class #	Medal
Portsea Estate	2025	Back Beach Syrah	29 1	Gold
Kreglinger Wine Estates	2025	Pipers Tas Syrah 2025	29 2	Bronze
Riddoch Coonawarra	2025	Shiraz	29 3	Silver
TREAND	2025	Estate Shiraz	29 4	Bronze
Riversdale Estate	2025	Estate Syrah	29 5	Bronze
Riposte Wines	2025	The Cutlass Shiraz	29 6	
SOUMAH	2025	Hexham Vineyard Syrah	29 7	
Tamburlaine Organic Wines	2025	Point 65 Single Vineyard Syrah	29 8	Bronze
Tamburlaine Organic Wines	2025	Reserve Syrah Orange	29 9	Silver
BELLARINE HILL	2025	BELLARINE HILL SHIRAZ 2025	29 10	Bronze
Hounds of the Vine	2025	Spike's Shiraz	29 11	Silver
FIVE Vineyard	2025	Reserve Shiraz	29 12	
Foxeys Hangout	2025	Shiraz	29 13	Gold

Class 29 Comments:

Oak was obvious in some wines and put them down across the board. Good spread of styles overall, and there were some great examples with glossy, well-defined fruit, balance in structure and great energy.

Class 30: Shiraz and Syrah 2024

			Class #	Medal
Philip Shaw Wines	2024	No89	30 1	Silver
Ross Hill Wines	2024	Pinnacle Series Shiraz	30 2	Not Received
Leura Park Estate	2024	Shiraz	30 3	
The Ned	2024	Skyscraper Syrah	30 4	Silver
Riddoch Coonawarra	2024	Elgin's Crossing Shiraz	30 5	Gold
Mount Langi Ghiran	2024	Cliff Edge Shiraz	30 6	Gold
Jack Rabbit Vineyard	2024	Shiraz	30 7	Bronze
BC Wines	2024	Shiraz	30 8	
Baillieu	2024	Shiraz	30 9	Silver
Tamburlaine Organic Wines	2024	Point 65 Single Vineyard Syrah	30 10	Bronze
Michelini Wines	2024	Devils Creek Shiraz	30 11	
The Lane Vineyard	2024	Estate Syrah	30 12	Silver
The Lane Vineyard	2024	Heritage Shiraz	30 13	Silver
FIVE Vineyard	2024	Reserve Shiraz	30 14	Bronze
FIVE Vineyard	2024	Estate Shiraz	30 15	Bronze
Mount Avoca	2024	Moates Lane Organic Shiraz	30 16	

Class 30 Comments:

Lots of well made, consistent wines. Some showing overt oak overshadowing fruit. Best wines had purity, freshness and great structural balance and length. Very few 'peppery' Syrah styles

Class 31: Shiraz and Syrah 2023 or older

			Class #	Medal
Merricks Estate	2018	Shiraz	31 1	Bronze
Indigo Vineyard	2023	Shiraz	31 2	Bronze
Patrick of Coonawarra	2020	Joanna Shiraz	31 3	
Yes said the Seal	2023	Shiraz	31 4	Gold
Cavalry Wines	2018	Marian	31 5	

Class 31 Comments:

Solid wines with one standout, a diversity of styles & ages. The best wine had power, complexity and layers of savoury character in tune with fruit & frame.

Class 32: Dry Italian Red varieties 2025 & 2026 (incl Sangiovese, Barbera, Nebbiolo, Nero d'Avola etc)

			Class #	Medal
Wine By Sam	2025	The Victorian Primitivo	32 1	Bronze
SOUMAH	2025	Hexham Vineyard Marzemino	32 2	Bronze
Mount Avoca	2025	Estate Organic Lagrein	32 3	Bronze

Class 32 Comments:

A small handful of consistent wines, 3 bronze medals.

Class 33: Dry Italian Red var. 2024 or older (incl. Sangiovese, Barbera, Nebbiolo, Nero d'Avola etc.)

			Class #	Medal
Pipan Steel Wines	2021	Tesoro Nebbiolo	33 1	Bronze
Pipan Steel Wines	2021	Clone IX Nebbiolo	33 2	Silver
Pizzini	2022	L'Aquila Nebbiolo	33 3	Bronze
Tar & Roses	2024	2024 Tar & Roses 'The Fog' Nebbiolo	33 4	Gold
Mantons Creek Estate	2023	Hillside Block Single Vintage Pinot Meunier	33 5	
SOUMAH	2022	Hexham Vineyard Mezzaluna	33 6	Bronze
SOUMAH	2023	Hexham Vineyard Nebbiolo	33 7	
Michelini Wines	2024	Marzemino	33 8	
FIVE Vineyard	2024	Estate Sangiovese	33 9	

Class 33 Comments:

Challenging class to judge with mixed ages and intense tannin profiles. Best wine a great varietal and balanced Nebbiolo.

Class 34: Other Dry Red Varieties 2025 & 2026 (incl. Grenache, Tempranillo etc)

			Class #	Medal
Sidewood Estate	2025	Estate Gamay	34 1	Gold
Riversdale Estate	2026	Pinot Meunier	34 2	
Mount Langi Ghiran	2025	Cliff Edge Grenache	34 3	Bronze
Tamburlaine Organic Wines	2025	Reserve Cabernet Franc	34 4	
Tamburlaine Organic Wines	2025	Point 65 Malbec	34 5	Bronze
Tamburlaine Organic Wines	2025	Reserve Malbec Orange	34 6	Bronze
Tamburlaine Organic Wines	2025	Point 65 Cabernet Franc	34 7	Silver

The Lane Vineyard	2025	Gathering Tempranillo	Adelaide Hills	34	8	Bronze
The Lane Vineyard	2025	Gathering Cabernet Franc	Adelaide Hills	34	9	Gold
The Lane Vineyard	2025	Gathering Gamay	Adelaide Hills	34	10	Bronze
Hounds of the Vine	2025	Gus's Tempranillo	Geelong	34	11	Bronze
Mount Avoca	2025	Estate Organic Tempranillo	Pyrenees	34	12	Bronze

Class 34 Comments:

A mixed class with different styles, the Gamay were pretty sound, and one was awarded a gold. Cabernet Franc performed quite well, with one being the top gold, while Tempranillo, where we all hold our hopes high, underperformed compared to the other varieties, with few examples overpowered by oak.

Class 35: Other Dry Red var. 2024 or older (incl. Grenache, Tempranillo etc.)

				Class #	Medal
Mantons Creek Estate	2023	Hillside Block Single Vineyard Tempranillo	Mornington Peninsula	35 1	
Delatite Wines	2022	Reserve Tempranillo	Upper Goulburn	35 2	Bronze
Middle Arm Vineyard	2024	Pinotage	Tasmania	35 3	Bronze

Class 35 Comments:

Tempranillo unfortunately didn't show what is capable of, but we were delightfully surprised by the Pinotage and we are looking forward to seeing that growing and become stronger.