



PLANTAGENET

WINES

GREAT SOUTHERN
WESTERN AUSTRALIA



An historic producer, Plantagenet Wines was the first winery to be established in Western Australia's Great Southern wine region, an expansive area nestled into the state's rugged south west corner. Named after the local Shire of Plantagenet, the winery was founded in 1968 when English immigrant Tony Smith identified the potential of these wild and remote lands by planting vines on his Mount Barker property.

Seasoned Winemaker John Durham produces aromatic whites that are austere and minerally with crisp acidity and fragrant, floral notes. The reds are spicy, elegant and statuesque, a far cry from the blockbusters generally associated with Australia. While quality French oak and modern winemaking techniques are a given, it is the unique expression of the land that is nurtured, ensuring these wines have an inimitable voice in the roar of Australian wine.

Plantagenet Cabernet Sauvignon 2007 (Great Southern, WA)

Deep dense colour of dark plum with an aroma of a tightly focused wine, with savoury, mineral, plum and blackberry notes, classy oak handling imparts a sweet vanilla and pencil notes. The palate is that of a highly refined polished wine with beautifully integrated powder coat tannins and a sumptuous mid palate of succulent currants and blackberries flavours that carry the length of the palate, a bright, clean finish. Very tasty indeed.

*Strong crimson-purple; classic Great Southern cabernet; while it has fully ripe and lush blackcurrant fruit, there is also a savoury/spicy cool climate twist to the finish; has good length and balance. Screwcap. 14.5% alc. **Rating 94, James Halliday Australian Wine Companion 2010***

Plantagenet Shiraz 2005 (Great Southern, WA)

Deep dense colour of dark plum with a classic Shiraz nose which opens with blueberry and mulberry, with a dollop of vanilla but with wafts of pepper, nutmeg cloaked with cedar lurking in the background. The palate is strongly varietal, with a structure built for the long haul, with a sumptuous mid palate of succulent plums and blueberries and lingering, mouth filling spice flavours.

*Shows the good vintage to full effect; a tapestry of black fruit flavours, spices and pepper, augmented by quality oak and ripe tannins; great line and length. **Rating 96 points, James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion 2009***

*With a proud history of over 35 shiraz vintages, a long standing Langton's Classification in 'Australia's Top 101 Wines' and following on from our 2003 and 2004 vintage, our 2005 vintage has done it again - **Gold awarded at The 2008 International Decanter Wine Awards.***

Plantagenet's reputation for Great Southern Shiraz is well-established, but this vintage is set to springboard it to a new dimension. Exotically spicy, with star anise and pepper, it's blackfruited, elegantly taut, brilliantly minerally, finely textured and will age very slowly.

Rating 95 points, Tyson Stelzer, Wine Business Monthly – Top Wines of the Year 2008

Plantagenet Riesling 2008 (Great Southern, WA)

Showing great delicacy and restraint, though quiet floral with background notes of slate and lemon rind. A fine yet supple palate, but still tightly constructed with lovely natural acidity cutting a clean line from front to back palate. Long lingering citrus flavours at the moment that should evolve into toasty lemon butter with time in the bottle. A classic showing the benefits of a great vintage. Age worthy, with at least a 12 year lifespan in the bottle.

*A little reductive on opening; incredibly tight lemon fruit, and a super-strong core of minerality; there is also a touch of exotic fruit on the palate, but the line and length suggest great longevity. Screwcap. 11.5% alc. **Rating 94, James Halliday – Australian Wine Companion 2010***

Plantagenet Ringbark Riesling 2008 375ml (Great Southern, WA)

This Riesling is a highly perfumed botrytis wine with candied lemon peel, spice and dried apricot aromas. The palate is wonderfully balanced with fresh sweetness and fine acidity, showing fine floral notes and glace citron. The flavour lingers on the palate, finishing with the refreshing minerality found in all Plantagenet white wines.

*Bright straw-green; very clean and pure Riesling; abundant lime juice flavours on the long finish, which is at once intense and balanced. Screwcap. 11% alc. **Rating 94 James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion 2010***

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