

The great white hope

Angullong Orange Sauvignon Blanc 2009

THE new 2009 vintage white wines are starting to hit the shelves and some of the Orange region sauvignon blancs have a lot to live up to, with a number of local wines winning very impressive trophies with their 2008 vintages.

The 2008 Angullong Sauvignon Blanc was awarded two trophies at the Royal Sydney Wine Show and justifiably sold out. The 2009 is now released and is a vibrant and fresh wine. The aromas are of tropical fruit and passionfruit with an underlying herbaceous grassiness. The palate is zesty and crisp with gooseberry, kiwi fruit flavours and a touch of grapefruit. It is well balanced with good, zingy acid and a dry finish.

Price: \$15
Cellar: 2009-2010



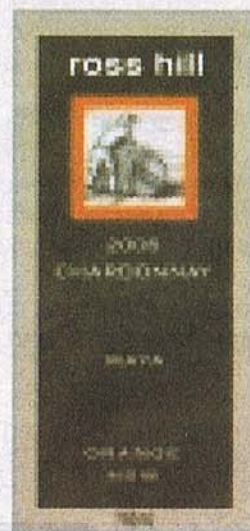
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Ross Hill Maya Orange Chardonnay 2008

IT is an exciting time in Orange, with our winemakers starting to gain traction in the wine world; competing successfully with other, longer established wine regions within Australia. It won't be long before the international wine consuming market starts to take more interest in the wines being produced here. Ross Hill is set up well for this potential growth, having recently built a new winery on Wallace Lane, on the slopes of Mount Canobolas. Their 2008 Maya Chardonnay is a full bodied, luscious and mouth filling wine with a buttery palate of melon, peach, cashew and a touch of lemon zest. The flavours linger nicely.

Price: \$20
Cellar: 2009 - 2011



Kalari Cowra Shiraz 2008

COWRA continues to build the quality of its wines. Where once it was the chardonnay varieties that draw consumers' attention, there are now other varieties worth considering. Shiraz is probably the best and most consistent quality red wine being made in this region.

Kalari Wines was established in 1995 and has a picturesque cellar door on the Wyangala Dam side of Cowra.

The view from the cellar door overlooks the Lachlan River and a patchwork of vineyards.

Their 2008 shiraz is a fuller bodied wine with appealing earthy aromas with blackberry, blueberry and savoury plum flavours. There is subtle oak adding further character with soft, well integrated tannins.

Price: \$20
Cellar: 2009 - 2016

