



More shiraz-zamatazz from Tyrrell's



THERE are some good pinot noirs starting to emerge from the Orange region. Bloodwood Mayfield and Logar are certainly doing their part to highlight the elegance and complexity of this variety from what Peter Logan calls "NSW's wine kingdom of cool-Orange." The fruit of this wine was grown



in two vineyards of the north facing slopes of Mount Gobolas, one at 100m and the other at 150m.

The 2008 Logar Pinot Noir shows elegant cherry and plum fruit flavours with a briary earthiness and spice adding complexity. It is a silky mouth-filling wine with a persistent, fanning flavours on the palate.

Price: \$35
Cellar: 2012-2016

Tyrrell's Rufus Stone Heathcote Shiraz 2008

TYRRELL'S has been winning some serious awards recently. The winery was awarded Winery of the Year by one of Australia's most respected wine journalists, James Halliday, as well as Winery of the Year and Winemaker of the Year by wine scribes Campbell Mattinson and Gary Walsh.

The newly released Rufus Stone reds have certainly helped the winemaker gain these awards. The Heathcote Shiraz, from vineyards located 100 kilometres north of Melbourne, is a cracker of a wine. It is a balanced and flavour-some wine with black berry fruit, olive, chocolate and coffee characters. These are overlaid with a lovely smoky earthiness with rosemary and herbs. The vanillin oak is integrated and balanced.

Price: \$26.99
Cellar: 2010-2016



Brangayne The Tristan 2004

BRANGAYNE'S The Tristan is a red blend comprising cabernet sauvignon, merlot and shiraz. The vintage that I recently tasted was the 2004, however from their website it looks as though the 2005 is also available. Many wines that are available from bottle shops are very young (probably too young), so it is good to be able to purchase wine with a bit of bottle age. As a six-year-old wine, it is starting to show some age, however it is still quite youthful. This time in bottle has allowed the fruit, oak and tannins to integrate well. It is a medium bodied wine with plum, raspberry, coffee and chocolate flavours and a good dose of oak.

Price: \$29
Cellar: 2010-2014