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BARWICK WINES, AUSTRALIA

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Some of the best wine values on our list come from Western Australian producer Barwick Wines. Their entry level 'Crush' wines are deservedly popular for their generous flavours at a keen price and the 'Optimus' wines above these offer excellent varietal character, again at very competitive prices. However this is not the end of the story as owner and winemaker Nigel Ludlow also crafts a superb range of premium wines. These are the 'Estates' wines and this introductory offer features three impressive wines under this label together the top wine from the 'Optimus' range. The very best wines from Barwick go under the 'Collectables' name but are made in such limited quantities that if you are interested please enquire for details.

Barwick Wines is based in the vinous paradise of Margaret River but the winery also has vineyards in two other parts of Western Australia, just over an hours drive away at Blackwood Valley and Pemberton, as shown on the map left. The winery itself is set amongst the 38ha of vines at St John's Brook in Margaret River. The combination of cool Mediterranean climate and duplex soils is perfect for a wide range of varieties but particularly Shiraz and Cabernet Sauvignon.

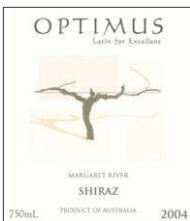
The 83ha Dwalganup Vineyard is located near Boyup Brook in the Blackwood Valley among some of the largest jarrah and marni trees in Australia. The strong loam soils over deep gravel are particularly suited to Cabernet Sauvignon and Shiraz and produce wines with rich colours and unique fruit driven aromas and flavours. To the south in Pemberton, the picturesque 73ha Treenbrook Vineyard, pictured right, nestles amongst the magnificent karri forests. The area has long been considered a leading cool climate wine region - it is the source of our best selling Seven Day Road wines - and produces the classic red grape varieties of Pinot Noir, Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. The rich, well drained loamy soils, on gentle slopes leading to the Treen Brook, are also ideal for white varieties such as Sauvignon Blanc and Chardonnay.



The premium status of wines from Margaret River is beyond question and though less well known, the wines of Pemberton are starting to realise their undoubted potential. The Blackwood Valley is new to us and yet tasting through Barwick's range, the wines from this elevated, inland region really did seem to have a distinct and impressive quality. What makes the Estates wines so interesting is that they are blends between the different vineyards. The particular characteristics of one being balanced by the qualities of another; it really does seem to be a case of the whole being greater than the sum of the parts. Of course this is not recognised by the appellation system, which requires the geographical origin of the Estates wines to be simply Western Australia. The wines themselves though are simply superb and easily merit a £10 to £15 price. By working directly with the winery we are able to offer some great prices and even better, our Sampler Case with three bottles of each wine comes with a 15% discount including free delivery.

BARWICK Optimus Shiraz 2004

MARGARET RIVER 14.5%



The Shiraz is the top wine in the Optimus range and is made from a select parcel of fruit in the St. John's Brook vineyard in Margaret River. As a result it qualifies for the prestigious Margaret River appellation in contrast to the Estates wines. There is excellent varietal character, good balance and in common with all the Barwick well-judged use of new oak barrels.

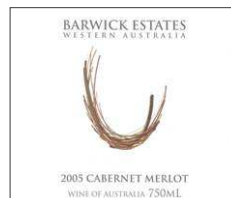
Perfumed aromas dominated by raspberry and blackberry with liquorice, white pepper notes and cedary oak. Soft generous bramble fruit flavours, balanced tannins and a touch of spice on the finish.

At Peak Now - 2012

AU1784R £6.99

BARWICK ESTATES Cabernet Merlot 2005

WESTERN AUSTRALIA 13%



This soft, seductive red combines Cabernet Sauvignon from the Blackwood Valley with Merlot from Pemberton. The fruit, though luscious, is in fact under-pinned by good structure and balance. However whilst the wine could be kept, you could put off drinking such a delicious wine?

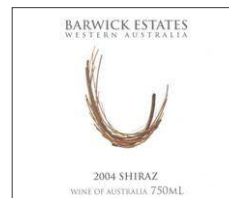
Lovely ripe strawberry, plum and spicy liquorice aromas. To taste, the initial impressions are ripe, juicy summer fruit flavours with sweet vanilla oak and hints of chocolate. It then glides on to a more savoury cherry and damson character that persists on the lightly spicy finish.

At Peak Now - 2013

AU2015R £8.49

BARWICK ESTATES Shiraz 2004

WESTERN AUSTRALIA 14%



This is probably our favourite Shiraz from Western Australia. Pure and intense, it is made with grapes from the Blackwood Valley and Margaret River vineyards. The oak character is nicely integrated with good depth of fruit, however it is the wonderful aromatics that standout, characteristic of Blackwood Valley grapes.

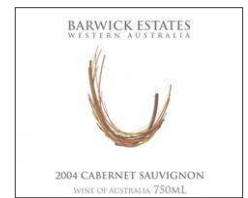
Pure, intense spicy aromas of cassia, black cherry, blackberry and a touch of pepper. Good depth of fruit on the palate with mouthfilling bramble fruit flavours, integrated vanilla oak and fine tannins. The finish is long and aromatic and even at six years this is still a youthful wine.

At Peak Now - 2014

AU1794R £8.99

BARWICK ESTATES Cabernet Sauvignon 2004

WESTERN AUSTRALIA 13.5%



The remarkable character of the Dwalganup vineyard in Blackwood Valley is superbly demonstrated by this remarkable Cabernet. Fresh, fruit-driven, complex and structured, this is quite simply great wine.

Deep black cherry colour lightening slightly at the rim. Impressively complex aromas of cassia, mocha, cedar, exotic spices and toasty vanilla oak. Fresh and vibrant to taste with supple red berry fruit flavours, a touch of spicy liquorice and a good long, nicely aromatic finish. The rich New World flavours are balanced by a distinctly European freshness and complexity.

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BARWICK ESTATES SAMPLER CASE

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