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AUSTRALIA'S TOP OF THE POPS!

DECANTER'S NEW WORLD SPARKLING WINE RESULTS ARE OUT!!

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'*Australia was a clear favourite, with Tasmania singled out for having the most potential. Tasmania is making some stunning world-class wines: great complexity and lasting superbly well…. Such a refreshing change…'* Andrew Hawes'

'…It was interesting also to taste the differences between the Tasmanians and the Continental Australian wines; the Tasmanians really showed a much cooler climate and more linear style' Essi Avellan MW

DECANTER AWARD WINNERS

5 Star Wines

★★★★★ **Jansz, Tasmania 2003**
£15.99-£16.99
'Pure elegance at an age when most Australian sparkling wines will be long past their best. The fruit is beautifully beguiling. From 2009.'

5 Star Wines

★★★★★ **Petaluma Croser, South Australia 2004**
£18.99
'Excellent autolytic nose – real depth, lovely white flowers, citrus fruit, pastry. Soft, frothy mouse, fine flavours of lemon curd and pastry crust. A star. From 2009.'

4 Star Wines

★★★★ **Kreglinger Brut, Tasmania 2001**
£22.99-£24.99
'Toasty, yeasty nose, ripe red berries. Aged palate of great aromatic complexity, toast and fruit. At its prime. Long, harmonious, elegant. From 2009.'

Recommended

★★★ **Green Point Brut, South Eastern Australia 2005**
'Citrus fruits, white bread. Subtle fruit and delicate pastries, lovely acidity and gently persistent finish. From 2009.'

★★★ **Clover Hill, Tasmania 2004**
'Malty nose following onto palate. Excellent structure, acidity and mousse…From 2009.'

★★★ **Bird in Hand Joy Pinot Noir, Adelaide Hills 2004**
'Delicate, spicy red Pinot fruit and yeasty nose. Coffee. Silky texture. Smoky, fruity-focused and firm. Good personality. From 2009.'

Plus check out Decanter's feature on *The New World's most exciting new terroirs (and wines to prove it).*

Australia: East Coast, Tasmania by Huon Hooke *'Tasmania has untold tracts of unexplored land that would suit fine-wine viticulture. Of the existing sub-regions, perhaps the one with greatest potential is the East Coast…'* Read more at www.decanter.com

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