



2011 JAMES HALLIDAY AUSTRALIAN WINE COMPANION

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4.5-star winery

Westend Estate Wines ★★★★★

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Along with a number of Riverina producers, Westend Estate has made a successful move to lift both the quality and the packaging of its wines. Its leading 3 Bridges range, which has an impressive array of Gold medals to its credit since being first released in 1997, is anchored in part on estate vineyards. Bill Calabria has been involved in the Australian wine industry for more then 40 years, and is understandably proud of the achievements both of Westend and the Riverina wine industry as a whole. Westend Estate is moving with the times, increasing its plantings of durif, and introducing aglianico, nero d'avola, and st macaire. These new plantings have paralleled an increase in Westend's wine production. Equally importantly, it is casting its net over Hilltops and the Canberra District, premium regions not too far from home.

3 BRIDGES RESERVE BOTRYTIS - 94 POINTS

Deeper gold; complex and balance of cumquat marmalade and some toffee; long finish.

3 BRIDGES DURIF - 90 POINTS

COOL CLIMATE SERIES RIESLING - 90 POINTS

Some colour deepening, although the hue is good; utterly correct lime/citrus/ mineral varietal fruit on bouquet and palate alike; a sturdy, well balanced wine, for consumption over the next few years.

COOL CLIMATE SERIES SEMILLON SAUVIGNON BLANC - 90 POINTS

Pale bright straw green. A wine with above-average aromas and flavours, citrus, grass, stone fruit and tropical notes all to be found at some point along the journey from the bouquet to the aftertaste.

COOL CLIMATE SERIES PINOT NOIR - 90 POINTS

Strong crimson-purple; a very powerful wine, with dark and black cherry aromas and flavours. Will develop well over the next few years.

COOL CLIMATE SERIES SHIRAZ - 90 POINTS

Vivid purple hue; fragrant black-berry and mulberry spiced bouquet; medium-bodied, with smoked meats and chewy tannins to conclude.

RICHLAND SAUVIGNON BLANC - 89 POINTS

Effusive tropical fruit aromas tighten up on the crisp palate, which is long and clean with a crisp finish.



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