

Silver Wings “BIG BOTTLE” Sale

Aged in controlled temperature conditions (mostly underground) since Estate bottling, these stocks represent the last remaining museum collection of the Cleveland Estate since 1990 and subsequent single vineyard wines made between 2003 and 2006.

These wines can be either picked up from North Melbourne or forwarded with freight or postage costs advised at the time of purchase.

CLEVELAND ESTATE Lancefield, Macedon Ranges, coolest vineyard site recorded in Australia, Mean January Temp. 17.8C. - Champagne 18.5C, Burgundy 19.5C, Bordeaux 21C Mean July Temp.

Chardonnay:

1500 ml Magnums:	availability	Total per btl.
1994 ‘Brien Family’ Chardonnay-Dry White	2	\$50e
1995 “ “	1	\$50e
	1 x 2lt.	\$70

Remarkably fresh wines considering they were our second label. They show the benefit of the second press Estate Chardonnay in their structure and fruit concentration.

1994 Cleveland Estate “Cuve Exceptionelle”	2	\$90e
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The 1st “Cuve Exceptionelle” declared at Cleveland and considered by most of Melbourne’s great palates as one of the best Australian Chardonnays ever made. Prematurely aging but still extremely good drinking.

1997 Cleveland Estate “Cuve Exceptionelle”	2	\$100e
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Perhaps over time this is the best Chardonnay year ever at Cleveland and retains great minerality and textural depth, holding it’s own place in the world of Chardonnay.

1998 “	3	\$95e
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Another excellent example of depth and texture, still crisp.

2001 “	8	\$75e
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Strong varietal character remains balanced with the fruit and texture but definitely needs consuming over the next 3-4 years.

Pinot Noir:

<u>1500ml Magnums:</u>	<u>availability</u>	<u>Total per btl.</u>
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1990 Cleveland Estate Pinot Noir	1	\$200
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Elegant fruit, spicy soil and barrel influences it holds grace and finesse in its complex finish.

1993 " " "	2	\$150e
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An earthy, varietal wine showing great balance of tannin and fruit complexities within an elegant structure. A fine and complex Pinot, with great finesse from cellar aging it offers a complete spectrum of flavours.

1994 " " " "Cuvee Exceptionelle"	6	\$220e
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1st of only three from twenty vintages declared 'Cuvee Exceptionelle' as outstanding vineyard quality showing definitive terroir, remains one of the greatest Pinot Noirs made in this country. Complex, vibrant and elegant, yet powerful characters set World class standards.

1997 " " "	9	\$110e
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An excellent year offered deeply coloured fruit and fine tannins and a great example of Cleveland terroir. The wine is complex and silky in texture and remains a great food wine.

1998 " " " "Cuvee Exceptionelle"	2	\$150e
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An earthy and more tannic example of Cleveland terroir this wine is still unfolding in its depth. Nominated in the top ten Pinots produced in the 2000 edition of James Halliday's Wine Companion, it presently offers excellent, complex drinking and a very good game food match.

2000 Cleveland Estate Pinot Noir	13	\$110e
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The 2000 season was the fourth successive drought year with a cool summer and slightly wet autumn & produced wine with vinous dark Cherry and soft Rhubarb characters supported with sappy, earthy textures finishing with very fine tannins. The 750ml bottles were largely exported to the U.S. with few being sold in Australia.

Cabernet Sauvignon/ Merlot “Minus Five”: Named the ‘Minus Five’ because of the sub-zero temperatures prior to harvest, this remains an enigma of Australian wine making tradition. Along with nearby Virgin Hills vineyard, we were usually the latest harvest in the country at marginal ripeness. The wines were made in the European tradition of very extended skin contact pre and post fermentation often 60 – 90 days and a minimum of two years in old oak.

<u>1500 ml Magnums:</u>	<u>availability</u>	<u>Total per btl.</u>
1992 Cleveland Estate ‘Minus Five’ Cab/ Merlot	1	\$150e
Tobacco and spice lead a lovely rich blackberry fruit and a long fine tannin finish in true Bordeaux fashion.		
1993 Cleveland Estate ‘Minus Five’ “	3	\$120e
Earthy fresh turned soil is followed by elegant blackberry and mint characters in lovely balance.		
1994 ‘Brien Family’ Shiraz/ Cabernet	2	\$90e
A difficult year for Cabernet so it was blended with Shiraz from Cathcart Ridge Estate and is excellent drinking – won Silver at the Chicago International Wine Show 1996.		
1995 Cleveland Estate ‘Minus Five’ “	8	\$110e
Good, even ripening year with well balanced spicy black currant fruit characters.		
1998 Cleveland Estate ‘Minus Five’ Cab/ Merlot	22	\$100e
“ “ “	2 x Jeroboams(3lts)	\$175e

*** This wine is also available as gift or presentation wine, having been bottled into antique Colonial bottles C. 1870 (750ml approx.)** gathered over many years from Central Victorian Digging sites and affectionately known as ‘Goldfield Blacks’. The bottles were individually hand sealed and labeled with certificate of authenticity and are offered. \$100e.

The 1998 result is ‘Barolo’ like in intensity with a lightness of palate weight, balanced by a persistent, fine tannin structure that allows the elegant fruit to have expression within the long palate. Extended cellar aging has been necessary to allow this wine to offer insight to its depth and continuing development. After this harvest the vines were grafted over to the Pinot Gris variety and it remains the final vintage of a hard fought viticultural legacy.

Other Single Vineyard Sites:-

1500 ml Magnums: **availability** **Total per btl.**

Cleveland Heathcote Shiraz:

1998 Cleveland 'Redcastle' Heathcote Shiraz	5	\$110e
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Hillside fruit grown in Cambrian soils near the old township of Redcastle, opposite Mt. Camel

Vincenzo's Old Vines Shepparton – Goulburn Valley:

The vineyard was planted by Vincenzo Conte in 1960 on what was the northern boundary of Shepparton, now housing estates. . The wines were made in the European tradition of extended skin contact pre and post fermentation, often 21 days or more and a minimum of two years in small oak.

Silver Wings 2005 Old Vines Mataro-Shiraz.	15	\$90e
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A deeply tannic wine showing Barolo like intensity that has needed bottle age to soften and fill the palate into a rich and rewarding wine.

Silver Wings 2006 Old Vines Mataro-Shiraz	19	\$90e
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An elegant, fruit driven wine shows beautiful balance in its rich texture and great depth.