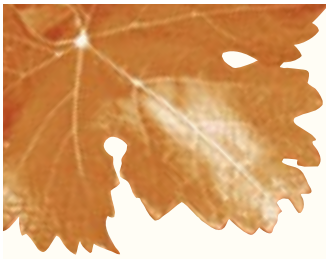


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REVIEWS & ACCOLADES

The year 2006 has already been an extraordinary one for Mount Pleasant, with wine show wins at the Sydney Royal Wine Show in February followed up by an extraordinary three trophies awarded at the Sydney International Wine Competition. A look at the year so far:

"In my opinion this is the finest single vineyard Sem in the world. '05 also happens to be a brilliant vintage ..." Matthew Jukes (UK's leading wine critic), 2006 TOP 100, 2005 Mount Pleasant Lovedale Semillon

"...arguably Australia's greatest white...its years better than 99.9 per cent of Australian whites..." Greg Duncan Powell, Sydney Morning Herald, 3 June, 2006 2000 Mount Pleasant Lovedale Semillon

"With brilliant depth, smoky oak and sweet spices, this is a wonderful wine that valiantly carries the name of one of Australia's greatest ever wine pioneers." Matthew Jukes (UK's leading wine critic), 2006 TOP 100, 2003 Mount Pleasant Maurice O'Shea Shiraz

"It could easily develop into a classic, and if you have any bent towards the shiraz wines of the Hunter Valley, you must add some of this to your collection. It is a Hunter shiraz to its core..." Campbell Mattinson, Wine Front, www.winefront.com.au – May 2006, 2003 Mount Pleasant Maurice O'Shea Shiraz

The **McCARTHY SHIELD** presented to McWilliam's Wines for the Most Successful Exhibitor of the 2006 Sydney Royal Wine Show, for an unprecedented 12th consecutive year.

The **FOUR SEASONS HOTEL SYDNEY PERPETUAL TROPHY** presented to Mount Pleasant Lovedale Semillon 1998 for the Best White Wine in Premium Classes, Previous Vintage and Older, at the 2006 Sydney Royal Wine Show.

Picking up its 60th trophy and 120th gold medal in just eight vintages, **McWilliam's Mount Pleasant Lovedale Semillon** confirmed its place as one of Australia's greatest white wines at the Sydney International Wine Competition. The current vintage 2000 McWilliam's Mount Pleasant Lovedale Semillon won three trophies at the Competition: Best Lighter Bodied Dry White Table Wine, Best White Table Wine, and Best Wine of Competition.

THE WINE HUNTER RECEIVES ACCLAIM!

The Wine Hunter, the book written by Campbell Mattinson that profiles legendary Mount Pleasant winemaker and founder Maurice O'Shea, has been described by James Halliday as, "... one of the most remarkable wine books to come my way..."

In his article in the Weekend Australian on 20 May 2006, Halliday said: "Mattinson has created an amazingly vivid picture of O'Shea's life, the conflicting emotions of the love story that ran through it and his ongoing struggle to keep the Mount Pleasant brand alive during decades of economic adversity and general indifference to the wines he was making..."

This limited edition book is only available through Mount Pleasant Cellar Door. Secure your copy today. \$25.00 for *Friends of Mount Pleasant*.

NEW WEBSITE

Mount Pleasant is pleased to announce the launch of its brand new website at www.mountpleasantwines.com.au

The new site offers visitors a complete and comprehensive profile of Mount Pleasant, its history, vineyards, winemakers and wines. Visitors can also browse through information on Elizabeth's and the latest wedding packages available. Stage two of the site will be launched soon, and will include a special Members area where *Friends of Mount Pleasant* can conveniently order online or view their bonus points. Log on today!



MOUNT PLEASANT

— HUNTER VALLEY —



WINTER 2006

MAURICE O'SHEA 2003 SHIRAZ RELEASED

The 2003 Mount Pleasant Maurice O'Shea Shiraz, the long awaited follow-on to the widely celebrated 2000 vintage, will be available on 1 July 2006. Already attracting attention from critics, including the respected James Halliday, an exclusive parcel of the wine is being reserved for *Friends of Mount Pleasant*. Members can also take advantage of the discounted price of \$48 (RRP is normally \$60).

First produced in 1987, Mount Pleasant Maurice O'Shea Shiraz is made as a tribute to legendary Mount Pleasant winemaker and founder, Maurice O'Shea. The wine is made in exceptional vintages only, and only in small quantities.

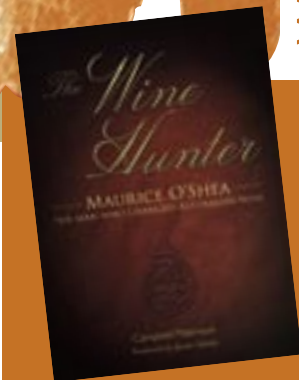
The 2003 Mount Pleasant Maurice O'Shea Shiraz was made predominantly from 120-year-old vines grown on heavy, rich, volcanic soils on Mount Pleasant's Old Hill Vineyard, established in 1880 by the King family, and purchased by the late Maurice O'Shea in 1921. A small portion of fruit was also sourced from Maurice O'Shea's 1921 plantings from the Old Paddock Vineyard.

Mount Pleasant Chief Winemaker, Phil Ryan says the wine features, "a spicy, fruit laced bouquet while fine, silk-like tannins support a generous palate of fruit flavours, blackberry and plum."

Phil says the intense, flavoursome wine will age gracefully over the next decade, already showing all the signs of an outstanding Hunter Shiraz from a legendary vintage.

"...The 2003 Mount Pleasant Maurice O'Shea (94 points) reflects both the old, low yielding, dry-grown vines and the excellent 2003 vintage for reds in the Hunter. The colour is good, hinting at the fresh plum and blackberry fruit, supported by much more structure than usual. Firm but ripe tannins make this wine a 20-year proposition at least, when it will surely merit even higher points."

James Halliday, Weekend Australian, 20 May 2006



All *Friends of Mount Pleasant* will receive a complimentary copy of the newly released book, *The Wine Hunter* with each case order of 2003 Maurice O'Shea Shiraz. Written by Campbell Mattinson with a foreword by James Halliday, the book chronicles the life and inspirations of the late Maurice O'Shea and his influence on the modern Australian wine industry.

*Conditions apply. \$48.00 per bottle on straight case buys. Limit of four (4) cases of wine per Friend of Mount Pleasant. One book per order. Offer only available while stocks last.

SPECIAL OFFER

FROM MOUNT PLEASANT & wine-ark

FOR COLLECTORS OF FINE WINE

To celebrate the launch of the outstanding 2003 Maurice O'Shea Shiraz, Mount Pleasant has teamed up with Wine Ark, Australia's largest wine storage provider, to develop a fantastic offer, exclusive to *Friends of Mount Pleasant*.

Simply purchase two six pack cases of 2003 Maurice O'Shea Shiraz and receive:

- **12 MONTHS FREE** Managed Cellar storage at Wine Ark's Chatswood or Alexandria facilities in New South Wales.
- **FREE** cataloguing, on-line inventory information and handling into storage.
- **FREE** access to wine at any time.

What better way to protect and safeguard your parcel of this stunning limited release wine, than by storing it in Wine Ark's state-of-the-art storage facilities in perfect, climate controlled conditions.

To take advantage of this special offer, indicate your preference to store your wine with Wine Ark, by ticking the "WINE ARK STORAGE" box next to the O'Shea Shiraz wine on your order form. Wine Ark will contact you directly.

Conditions apply. Offer available from 30/06/06 to 30/07/06. Customers that wish to continue to store their wine after this period may do so and will be charged standard rates (approx. \$2.80 per 12 bottle case per month). Delivery charges may apply. By accepting this offer, members authorise Mount Pleasant to supply members' contact details including name, address and contact number to Wine Ark. For more information on Wine Ark's services and terms and conditions of storage, contact John Cuff on : (02) 8338 8033, email: john@wine-ark.com or visit: www.wineark.com.au.



EVENTS CALENDAR

MAURICE O'SHEA DINNER TICKETS AVAILABLE



2006
M^CWILLIAM'S WINES
MAURICE O'SHEA AWARD DINNER

Limited tickets are still available for the 2006 McWilliam's Wines Maurice O'Shea Award Dinner, to be held at the Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre on Friday, 14 July 2006.

The dinner is now widely regarded as one of the most prestigious events on the Australian wine industry calendar, attended by 600 people from all sectors of the wine industry and wine media.

The award itself honours the memory of legendary Mount Pleasant winemaker, the late Maurice O'Shea and is presented to an individual or group who has made a significant contribution to the Australian wine industry.

For further information or to reserve your seats, please contact Ellen Michael at McWilliam's on (02) 9722 1200 or emichael@mcwilliams.com.au

WINE AUSTRALIA

McWilliam's will again have a significant presence at Wine Australia 2006, to be held at the Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre from 14-17 July 2006. McWilliam's will be located on stand 493A and will be presenting a series of educational tutorials.

The tutorials will take tasters through a range of topics from Semillon to Cabernet, from Coonawarra to Yarra Valley and will be hosted by the McWilliam's Academy of Wine, media chef Peter Howard and McWilliam's winemakers.

BUDBURST DINNER INVITATION

*Members and their guests are invited to celebrate the famous Mount Pleasant vineyards springing to life again!
The celebration will include six courses, wine and entertainment set amongst the vineyards in Spring.*

Saturday, 16 September, 2006 (7.00 for 7.30pm)
Venue: Lovedale Room, Mount Pleasant Winery
Cost: \$110pp inclusive of six courses, wine and entertainment.
For bookings please phone Katrina on (02) 4998 7505 or
via mtplesant@mcwilliams.com.au

BRISBANE GOOD FOOD & WINE SHOW



Following the success of last year's Show, Mount Pleasant will again be showcased at the Good Food and Wine Show in Brisbane (Friday, 10 November through to Sunday, 12 November 2006). The event will be held at the Brisbane Exhibition Centre and Mount Pleasant will have special wines, including show reserve and pre release wines, available exclusively for members.

BRISBANE MEMBERS DINNER

The Mount Pleasant team is heading to Brisbane again. This year's Brisbane Members Dinner will be held on 9 November 2006, at Baguette Restaurant. Baguette Restaurant was recently named "Best Informal Restaurant, Brisbane 2005" and "Best Modern Australian Restaurant, Qld, 2005", at the Restaurant and Caterers National Awards. The dinner will include five delicious courses matched with a range of Mount Pleasant wines.

Date: Thursday, 9 November 2006
7.00pm for 7.30pm
Venue: Baguette Restaurant,
150 Racecourse Rd, Ascot
www.baguette.com.au
Cost: \$100.00 per person

For bookings phone Katrina at Mount Pleasant on (02) 4998 7505 or via mtplesant@mcwilliams.com.au

MEMBERS WEEKEND

Following the success of the inaugural Members Weekend in 2005, Mount Pleasant will be hosting its second Members Weekend on Saturday, 18 November and Sunday, 19 November 2006.

The weekend will again offer Members an array of tastings, demonstrations and food experiences, and the opportunity to meet the Mount Pleasant winemakers and team. The talent and team behind Elizabeth's will also be showcasing what's on offer, with a special menu available all weekend. More information will be available in the Spring Newsletter. Mark the dates in your diary! Plan early and secure your accommodation.

SPECIAL OFFERS

FOR WINTER 2006

FROM THE HUNTER



MOUNT PLEASANT CLASSIC RANGE

Comprising a Chardonnay, Verdelho, Merlot and Hunter favourites, an early release Semillon and Shiraz, the recently released Classic range offers easy drinking, classic wine styles of intense varietal flavour and character.

To celebrate the launch of the Classic range, Mount Pleasant together with Wine Australia has a special offer, exclusive to *Friends of Mount Pleasant*.

For more information, see the special flyer included in this month's newsletter.

Special Newsletter Offer \$11.50 per bottle in straight case buys

FROM MARGARET RIVER



2005 HAY SHED HILL SAUVIGNON BLANC SEMILLON

The palate is full of juicy sweetness coupled with intense flavours of passionfruit and fresh herbs which linger on crisp acidity and a dry finish.

"...another fine wine from a region that produces this style best..."
Fergus McGhie, Canberra Times, 24 May 2006

Special Newsletter Offer \$15.00 per bottle in straight case buys



2004 HAY SHED HILL CHARDONNAY

Low yielding fruit exclusively grown on the Hay Shed Hill Estate was used to make this wine. This is a wine with lifted perfumes of tropical fruits, pistachio nuts, vanilla meringue and biscuity oak. A complex palate features vanilla custard and tropical fruits with a crisp acidity

through the mid palate.

Special Newsletter Offer \$18.00 per bottle in straight case buys



2004 HAY SHED HILL CABERNET MERLOT

The Margaret River Cabernet Merlot style has really been defined by wines from the sub-region of Wilyabrup and the Hay Shed Hill Cabernet Merlot really typifies this classic style.

"Impressively balanced Margaret River red drawing on a proven blending

partnership producing rich, complex flavours and smoky wood characters."

Wine of the Week. John Fordham, Sunday Telegraph, 14 May 2006

Special Newsletter Offer \$18 per bottle in straight case buys



2005 PITCHFORK SEMILLON SAUVIGNON BLANC

A classic blend of the Margaret River, the wine has a wonderful aromatic intensity and a powerful citrus backbone with green mango and passionfruit notes.

Special Newsletter Offer \$11.25 per bottle in straight case buys



2005 PITCHFORK CHARDONNAY

Very lightly oaked with a lovely texture derived from regular lees stirring. Lifted aromas of honey dew melon, custard apple and tropical fruits dominate the nose with a hint of spice. Custard apple, ripe citrus, honey and freshly cut hay carry through the palate with a backbone of

mouth watering acidity. The finish is long and flavoursome.

Special Newsletter Offer \$11.25 per bottle in straight case buys

2004 PITCHFORK CABERNET SHIRAZ MERLOT

Full of primary fruit flavours, with red berries leaping from the glass. Fine tannins offer wonderful support to this fruit driven style.

Special Newsletter Offer \$11.25 per bottle in straight case buys



FROM COONAWARRA



2004 BRAND'S OF COONAWARRA MERLOT

Arguably one of Australia's most complex and finest Merlots, 2004 Brand's of Coonawarra Merlot is a gold medal winning wine. The complex, rounded palate offers rich primary fruit flavours of mulberry, plum and blackberry.

Special Newsletter Offer \$17.50 per bottle in straight case buys

FROM FRANCE

The long awaited 1996 vintage of Champagne Taittinger's pinnacle wine, Taittinger Comtes de Champagne Blanc de Blancs Brut has now arrived in Australia. The wine was sourced from a vintage widely described as one of the best experienced in Champagne since 1928.

This wine's complex, expressive bouquet is subtle with floral and beeswax aromas giving way to discreet notes of lime. The palate is lively and persistent to the finish, with lemony flavours complemented by delicate citrus and lime characters.

The result, a magnificent champagne full of finesse, elegance, complexity and richness.

Special Newsletter Offer \$160.00 per bottle

