



DE BORTOLI WINES

SACRED HILL

Sacred Hill was inspired by the name given by a local hermit to the low rocky outcrop that overlooks the Riverine plain. The hermit, who now has almost mythical status in the region, inhabited a cave in the hillside for many years. Sacred Hill has won awards at major national and international shows including Best Value awards. Leading wine writers have extolled the exceptional quality and value of this popular brand.

Sparkling Brut Cuvée, Riesling, Unwooded Colombard Chardonnay, Semillon Chardonnay, Chardonnay, Traminer Riesling, Rosé, Shiraz Cabernet, Cabernet Merlot, Old Tawny



CABERNET MERLOT 2008

Region

Riverina

Appearance

Vibrant purple, deep crimson

Bouquet

Sweet fragrant aromas of blackberries with underlying mint and hints of milk chocolate oak

Palate

A generous wine that shows sweet and vibrant fruit on the fleshy palate with soft mouth coating tannins.

Vintage Conditions

Warmer than usual January nights lead to some varieties reaching maturity earlier than previous years. Late '07 rains and showers in January ensured vines in good health. A cooler February than usual allowed for good fruit development and varietal expression.

Winemaking

Fruit was selected by the winemaker and picked when both flavour and Baumé were optimum. Warm fermentation temperatures and gentle colour tannin extraction were used to create a soft wine style.

Wine Analysis

Alc/Vol : 13.5 % pH : 3.55 TA : 6.55 g/L

Cellaring

A wine made to consume now or cellar for upto 2 years

Suggested Cuisine

This wine is excellent with beef or lamb dishes

General Characteristics

● Dry/Sweet ● ● Body

KEY	● Dry ● ● Medium Dry ● ● ● Medium Sweet ● ● ● ● Sweet
	● Light Bodied ● ● Medium Bodied ● ● ● Full Bodied

