

TASTE Macedon Ranges Wine

Foreword By James Halliday

Despite its close proximity to Melbourne – 50km as the crow flies, only an hour by car – the Macedon Ranges is one of Victoria’s best kept wine secrets. Even if the discerning wine tourist arrives somewhere near its epicentre, it is a fair bet he/she will have seen only a few vineyards – unless, that is, they have the excellent map provided, particularly on the website, by the Macedon Ranges Vignerons Association.

Even then, the ever-changing topography will have provided its challenges, denying the visitor many expansive vistas. Paradoxically, this lies at the heart of the appeal of the Macedon Ranges. As you rise and fall, twist and turn, there is always something new or unexpected. It is tempting to simply say that thanks to altitude – 300 to 800m above sea level – this is a very cool region with the capacity to make some of Australian mainland’s finest sparkling wines. But it’s much more than that!

There are over 35 wineries profiled in this guide - it’s not surprising the majority of them should nominate Pinot Noir as producing their flagship wine. Thereafter, it is a broad spread: Shiraz, Chardonnay, Sparkling, Riesling, Gewürztraminer, Pinot Gris, Nebbiolo, Lagrein and Cabernet Sauvignon, to name a few. Despite this varietal diversity, the cool climate has a unifying influence on the style of the wines. They are more perfumed than their warm region counterparts; they are usually in the light to medium-bodied spectrum, with lower alcohol levels and finer tannins; where oak is used, it is kept in restraint; and finally, the natural acidity not only preserves the freshness of the wines, but increases the length of the palate and aftertaste.

VISITOR INFORMATION

For the most comprehensive information about the Macedon Ranges, call one of our friendly Visitor Information Centres

Woodend 
VISITOR CENTRE
High St, Woodend VIC
Open 7 days, 9am - 5pm
P: 5427 2033 or
1800 224 711

Daylesford 
VISITOR CENTRE
98 Vincent St, Daylesford
Open 7 days, 9am - 5pm
P: 5321 6123

Kyneton 
VISITOR CENTRE
High St, Kyneton VIC
Open 7 days, 9am - 5pm
P: 5422 6110 or
1800 244 711

Lancefield 
INFORMATION OUTLET
Main Rd, Lancefield
Open 7 Days



macedonrangeswine.com.au



OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK

01 GISBORNE PEAK WINERY **5428 2228**
69 Short Rd, Gisborne South Mon-Fri: 11am–4pm
E: 535m **S:** Volcanic loams **RF:** 625mm 5ha Sat-Sun: 11am–5pm
WINES: Chardonnay, Lagrein, Pinot Noir, Riesling, Semillon, Sparkling White, Blends
Enjoy estate wines matched with wood-fired pizza or taster’s platter in a relaxed atmosphere.
On-site accommodation. **gisbornepeakwines.com.au**

02 GRANITE HILLS WINERY **5423 7273**
1481 Burke and Wills Track, Baynton 11am–5pm
E: 550m **S:** Granitic sandy loam **RF:** 700mm 12ha
WINES: Chardonnay, Cabernet Sauvignon, Gamay Noir, Gruner Veltliner, Pinot Blanc, Pinot Noir, Riesling, Shiraz
A devotee of Estate Grown, Made and Bottled wines. Twice awarded the RASV Victorian Trophy for Wines of Provenance. **granitehills.com.au**

03 HANGING ROCK WINERY **5427 0542**
88 Jim Rd, Newham 10am–5pm
E: 650m **S:** Weathered basalt **RF:** 750mm 8ha
WINES: Chardonnay, Pinot Gris, Pinot Noir, Riesling, Sauvignon Blanc, Gewürztraminer, Sparkling Macedon
Established in 1983, we’re considered one of the Macedon Ranges contemporary pioneers. Specialising in estate grown Pinot Noir and Sparkling Macedon. Iconic views, 20+ wines for tasting, local tasting plates and estate grown beef. Sculpture Exhibition from Oct- Apr. **hangingrock.com.au**

04 PASSING CLOUDS **5348 5550**
30 Roddas Lane, Musk 10am–5pm
E: 742m **S:** Volcanic **RF:** 1100mm 6ha
WINES: Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Sparkling, Shiraz and Cabernet
Passing Clouds has been making wine that expresses a sense of place and time since 1974.
Lunch Thursday to Monday. **passingclouds.com.au**

OPEN 4-5 DAYS A WEEK

38 CLEVELAND WINERY **5429 9000**
55 Shannons Rd, Lancefield
E: 460m **S:** Sandy lime over clay **RF:** 550mm 5.5ha
WINES: Brut, Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Pinot Gris, Sauvignon Blanc, Shiraz
Resort offers Underground Cellar Door Experience, Restaurant, Accommodation and caters to private events & conferences. Bookings required. **clevelandwinery.com.au**

12 CURLY FLAT (FRI-MON) **5429 1956**
263 Collivers Rd, Lancefield 12noon–5pm
E: 540m **S:** Red volcanic basalt 13.4ha
WINES: Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Gris
Estate grown Chardonnay and Pinot Noir at an altitude of 540 metres. Tastings held in Vintage Hall, the 1880’s homestead. **curlyflat.com**

08 MOUNT CHARLIE WINERY (THURS–SUN) **0439 866 946**
228 Mount Charlie Rd, Riddles Creek 10am–6pm
E: 445m **S:** Degraded granitic **RF:** 612mm 2ha
WINES: Bordeaux Quartet, Chardonnay, Malbec, Merlot, Shiraz, Sauvignon Blanc, Sparkling Macedon, Tempranillo
Produces limited amount of high quality wines. Estate grown and produced.
Contract wine making. Online sales. **mountcharlie.net.au**

44 MOUNT MACEDON WINERY (THURS-SUN) **5427 4172**
433 Bawden Rd, Woodend 11.30am–4.30pm
E: 680m **S:** Clay loam **RF:** 850mm Fri & Sat evening: 5.30pm–late
WINES: Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Sparkling and more. Or by appointment
A boutique vineyard set on the western slopes of Mount Macedon. Enjoy panoramic views and a memorable dining experience. Please visit our website to make your reservation. **mountmacedonwinery.com.au**

09 ZIG ZAG ROAD (THURS–MON) **5423 9390**
201 Zig Zag Rd, Malmsbury 11am–5pm
E: 500m **S:** Red volcanic **RF:** 725mm 4ha
WINES: Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Pinot Noir, Riesling, Rosé, Shiraz, Sparkling Shiraz, Sauvignon Blanc
An unirrigated vineyard, hand pruned and hand picked. All red wines are estate grown and processed **zigzagwines.com.au**

OPEN WEEKENDS, PUBLIC HOLIDAYS & BY APPT.
52 ATTWOODS WINES (FRI-SUN) **0493 081 712**
260 Green Gully Rd, Glenlyon Fri: 11am–4pm
E: 500m **S:** Quartz, basalt, clay **RF:** 700mm 2.5ha Sat: 11am–5pm
WINES: Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Nebbiolo, Pet-Nat Sun: 11am–4pm
Boutique producers specialising in cool climate Pinot Noir and Chardonnay, with vineyards in both Ballarat and the Macedon Ranges. Passionate grape growers and wine makers, we’re striving for true cool climate wines reflective of vintage and terroir. **attwoodswines.com.au**

06 COBAW RIDGE (SAT-SUN) **5423 5227**
31 Perc Boyers Lane, East Pastoria W/end:12noon–5.00pm
E: 620m **S:** Coarse granitic sand **RF:** 750mm 5ha
WINES: Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Syrah and Lagrein
Est. 1985. Certified Organic/Biodynamic. Fifth Australian member of the elite French based ‘La Renaissance des Appellations’ **cobawridge.com.au**

11 COPE-WILLIAMS WINERY **5429 5595**
221 Ochiltrees Rd, Romsey 10am–5pm
E: 565m **S:** Decomposed basalt **RF:** 800mm 6.5ha
WINES: Chardonnay, Cabernet Sauvignon, Fortified, Pinot Noir, Sparkling
Est 1977 and a leader in cold climate sparkling wine production **copewilliams.com.au**

16 GUILDFORD VINEYARD: GVC WINES (SAT-SUN)
6720 Midland Hwy, Guildford 12.30am–5pm
E: 300m **S:** Slate, sandstone, quartz, mud shales **RF:** Varies a lot 3ha
WINES: Viognier, Chardonnay, Syrah, Cabernet Sauvignon, Sparkling & Piquette.
All estate grown & made (from 2022 vintage) regenerative farming, biodynamic practices. Long-lunches 12.30pm–5pm. Tasting by Appointment.
Contact M: 0411 253 506. **guildfordvineyard.com.au**

17 HESKET ESTATE WINERY **5427 0707**
856 Romsey Rd, Hesket 11.30am–4.30pm
E: 660m **S:** Grey to red loam **RF:** 760mm 2.5ha
WINES: Chardonnay, Gewürztraminer, Pinot Noir, Macedon Sparkling, Riesling, Rose, Heathcote Shiraz and Heathcote Sangiovese
A contemporary cellar door in a parkland garden setting overlooking an immaculate vineyard. Traditional minimum approach to wine making. **hesketestate.com.au**

39 HUNTER-GATHERER **0407 821 049**
362 Pipers Creek-Pastoria Rd, Pipers Creek 12pm–5pm
E: 580m **S:** Red Volcanic Basalt **RF:** 700mm 5ha
WINES: Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pet Nat, Riesling, Rosé, Sangiovese, Shiraz, Sparkling, Sparkling Shiraz
Small-Batch, handcrafted wines from Macedon and Heathcote. Family friendly cellar door. Grazing platters available on weekends. **hgwines.com.au**

18 KYNETON RIDGE ESTATE **0408 841 119**
517 Blackhill Rd, Kyneton (Via Hallorans Ln) 11am–5pm
E: 540m **S:** Granitic **RF:** 580mm 4ha
WINES: Chardonnay, Cabernet Sauvignon, Pinot Noir, Shiraz, Sparkling Pinot Chardonnay, Sparkling Shiraz
Family winery producing wine from the Macedon Ranges and Heathcote. Newly renovated cellar door and cafe with pizza, share plates and beautiful views. **kynetonridge.com.au**

25 LYONS WILL ESTATE (2ND & 4TH W/END) **0412 681 940**
60 Whalans Track, Lancefield 11am–5pm
E: 540m **S:** Red volcanic, grey loam **RF:** 630mm 4ha
WINES: Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Riesling, Gamay
Nestled at the foothills of the Cobaw State Forest this winery produces quality wines with a minimalist approach. Cheese and charcuterie boards available Sat & Sun **lyonswillestate.com.au**

20 MOUNT TOWRONG VINEYARD **0488 155 088**
4 Taylors Rd, Mount Macedon 10am–5pm
E: 600m **S:** Light clay loam **RF:** 850mm
WINES: Prosecco, Nebbiolo, Chardonnay, Vivace and more
Family operated vineyard and winery using sustainable farming practices and principles to achieve best possible quality. Our focus is on Italian varieties. Rustic Italian food served. **mounttowrong.com.au**

37 PARAMOOR WINERY (SAT-SUN ONLY) **5427 1057**
439 Three Chain Rd, Carlsruhe 10am–5pm
E: 550m **S:** Sandy grey loam **RF:** 500mm 1.5ha
WINES: Riesling, Pinot Gris, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot, Shiraz/Cabernet Sauvignon, Rosé
Vineyard platters each weekend (must be pre ordered) **paramoor.com.au**

28 PARKSIDE WINERY AND FARM (OCT–APR) **0493 253 612**
308 Parks Rd, Lancefield 12noon–5pm
E: 590m **S:** Red Volcanic **RF:** 670mm 1.5ha
WINES: Sparkling, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Sauvignon Blanc
Parkside is a feast for the senses - boutique wines matched by breathtaking country views all within the grounds of the historical Parkside homestead. Our restored Clydesdale horse stables host visitors for tastings on weekends. **parksideestate.com.au**

21 SAILORS FALLS ESTATE **5348 6626**
1073 Telegraph Rd, Sailors Falls 11am–5pm
E: 620m **S:** Volcanic & grey loam **RF:** 875mm 1.5ha
WINES: Chardonnay, Gamay, Gewürztraminer, Pinot Noir, Pinot Gris, Rosé
A small family vineyard in an idyllic bushland setting near Daylesford. Stay at our villas, enjoy a spa bath and wood fire. **sailorsfallsestate.com.au**

22 WOMBAT FOREST VINEYARD **0408 799 187**
189 Springhill Rd, Denver 11am–5pm
E: 600m **S:** Red volcanic 2ha
WINES: Cabernet Sauvignon, Pinot Noir, Sparkling Pinot Noir, Blanc de Noir, Chardonnay, Riesling, Merlot, Cabernet Rose, Verdelho, Pinot Gris
Family owned vineyard & winery on the edge of the Wombat State Forest. Est 1997. “Deliberately small, producing a premium product”. **wombatforestwines.com**

BY APPOINTMENT

24 LANES END **5429 1760**
885 Mount William Rd, Lancefield
E: 570m **S:** Volcanic/grey granitic **RF:** 600mm 2ha
WINES: Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Syrah, Roussanne/Marsanne, Sauvignon Blanc
Single vineyard wines produced from mature low yielding vines using wild yeasts and burgundian techniques. Online sales. **lanesend.com.au**

26 METCALFE VALLEY **0450 319 874**
283 Malmsbury-Metcalf Rd, Metcalfe
E: 445m **S:** Soil granitic and basalt
WINES: Syrah, Viogner, Roussanne/Marsanne, Sauvignon Blanc
Metcalf Valley produces single-vineyard, cool climate wines in the Rhone style suited to our varietals. **truthtoterror.com.au**

46 MOUNT MONUMENT WINES **0421 058 166**

1399 Romsey Rd, Romsey
E: 620m **S:** Grey loam over silica clays **RF:** 700mm 2.3ha
WINES: Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Reisling
Vineyard planted in 1998. Online sales. **mountmonumentwines.com**

53 NORTHERN HOPE WINERY **0437 984 313**
69 Mount William Rd, Lancefield
E: 730m **S:** Red Volcanic **RF:** 600mm 1ha
WINES: Pinot Noir, Shiraz
Family owned vineyard & winery, focused on crafting a selection of wines that reflect the soils. Small batch, minimal intervention, hand pruned and hand picked. Online sales. **northernhope.com.au**

56 RED HARE ESTATE VINEYARD **0417 11 66 77**
1225 Daylesford-Malmsbury Rd, Denver
E: 620m **S:** Red Volcanic
WINES: Prosecco, Pinot Gris, Pinot Nior
Small estate vineyard, picturesque setting, vegan friendly. Will be opening weekends in 2022. **RedHareEstate.com.au**

NO CELLAR DOOR

41 ATHLETES OF WINE **0410 273 903**
44 Boundary Rd, Romsey
E: 540m **S:** Red volcanic **RF:** 670mm 0.6ha
WINES: Chardonnay, Pinot Noir
Mature vineyard, low yield, minimal intervention, minimal chemicals **athletesofwine.com.au**

50 BINDI WINES
E: 500m **S:** Predominately Ordovician sandstone, mudstone and quartz over clay with some eroded volcanic soils **RF:** 700 8ha
WINES: Chardonnay, Pinot Noir **bindiwines.com.au**

54 COLD ACRE **0422 806 484**
720 Three Chain Rd, Newham
E: 580m **S:** Volcanic Clay **RF:** 700mm
WINES: Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Viogner
The vineyard is set on 40 acres on a north facing slope overlooking the Cobaw Ranges. Pat and Shell are a husband & wife team producing Pinot Noir, Chardonnay and Viogner. The vineyard was established in 2006, with additional plantings in 2021 and the first release of the wines in 2022. **coldacre.com.au**

30 KILCHURN WINES **5429 5666**
144 Glenfern Rd, Romsey **kilchurnwines.com.au**
31 LORD MALMSBURY VINEYARD **0417 325 773**
Calder Hwy, Malmsbury
E: 460m **S:** Red volcanic
WINES: Macedon sparkling, Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Bordeaux style reds
Planted in 1989, with a focus on green viticulture and wines with soul. **lordmalmsburyvineyard.com.au**

27 MIDHILL VINEYARD **0409 408 977**
1727 Romsey Rd, Romsey
E: 540m **S:** Red volcanic, clay loam **RF:** 730mm 2.5ha
WINES: Chardonnay, Gewürztraminer, Pinot Noir, Rosé, Sparkling
Vineyard planted in 1993 producing premium fruit. Wines made under contract by Macedon winemakers. Online sales. **midhillvineyard.com**

55 PLACE OF CHANGING WINDS **0409 408 977**
E: 500m **S:** Clay shot through with Bullengarook gravel (sandstone, quartz, quartzite) **RF:** 750mm
WINES: Chardonnay, Pinot Noir **placeofchangingwinds.com.au**

34 PEGERIC
WINES: Pinot Noir and Riesling
Dry grown, close planted vineyard. Multi International Trophy winning. **pegeric.com**

51 RILL HOUSE VINEYARD **0414 235 062**
610 Spring Hill Rd, Spring Hill
E: 650m **S:** Red volcanic clay loam **RF:** 800mm 2.5ha
WINES: Chardonnay, Fumé Blanc, Pinot Noir
Cool climate, 30-year-old, family owned vineyard, producing premium wines from hand-picked, single vineyard grapes. **rillhouse.com**

43 SHADOWFAX LITTLE HAMPTON VINEYARD **9731 4420**
E: 700m **S:** Deep red caliban soil **RF:** 900mm 8ha
WINES: Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Pinot Gris
Shadowfax’s flagship vineyard producing premium Pinot Noir, Chardonnay and Pinot Gris, expressive of this unique high-altitude site **shadowfax.com.au**

35 SILENTWAY **0409 159 577**
825 Monument Rd, Lancefield
E: 540m **S:** Degraded volcanic basalt **RF:** 720mm 1.6ha
WINES: Chardonnay, Pinot Noir
Wines produced are in small quantities and express the soils they are grown in. **silentway.com.au**

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These wineries are open as stated, but many are closed on Good Friday and/or Christmas day. We recommend calling ahead.

