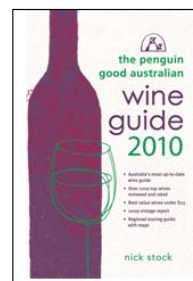


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BROKENWOOD Semillon / Shiraz / Chardonnay / Pinot Gris / Dessert Style

By Nick Stock

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2003 Brokenwood ILR Reserve Semillon

95 Points

"The flagship Semillon from Brokenwood, this aged release of the finest Semillon of the vintage is still sporting a greenish tinge in the glass and has built all the complexity of toasty bottle age – lanolin, waxy lemon curd and toasty notes. The palate has terrific nutty appeal, marking out a seamless, clean path from start to crisp, almondine finish. Superb wine."

Nick Stock, Penguin Good Australian Wine Guide 2010, Dec-09



2009 Brokenwood Semillon

91 Points

"A good all-rounder, this offers a mix of grassy elements and intense lemon citrus too – really settled and expressive in its youth. The palate has a fine, tangy entry with some rounder shape building through the middle and plenty of citrus flavour through the finish. Balanced like a champ!"

Nick Stock, Penguin Good Australian Wine Guide 2010, Dec-09



2007 Brokenwood Graveyard Shiraz

96 Points

"A superb and impressive wine with a dark, meaty, black-fruited nose, five spice and exotic, fragrant complexity – quite brooding. The palate impresses even further, offering supple, juicy dark plum flavor and building dark creamed spices through the finish. Really immaculate and layered. This has soulful depth and balance and will age gracefully for many years."

Nick Stock, Penguin Good Australian Wine Guide 2010, Dec-09



2007 Brokenwood Shiraz

93 Points

"There's a layer of swanky, toasty oak across this impressive Hunter shiraz, adding a meaty layer to ripe spiced plums – really fresh and youthful. The palate is swathed in fine, ripe tannins, plenty of toasty oak here too, and a convincing ball of berry and plum flavor that resonates through the finish. More to come in time."

Nick Stock, Penguin Good Australian Wine Guide 2010, Dec-09



2008 Brokenwood Indigo Chardonnay

92 Points

"Quite a zesty-smelling chardonnay with fresh, bright stone fruit aromas, some orange citrus, a flinty nuance and a nice savoury layer of fine French timber. The palate has plenty of smoothly textured appeal with a bright, crunchy dose of acid and impressive all-round balance."

Nick Stock, Penguin Good Australian Wine Guide 2010, Dec-09



2008 Brokenwood Pinot Gris

90 Points

"A light bronze colour in the glass, as this variety can be, it shows nice ripeness and richness with orange marmalade and cooler pear fruits, a light peppery note here too. The palate has a smooth coat of sweet, ripe fruit and nicely judged acidity punching through gently sweet flavor. An each-way bet in style terms."

Nick Stock, Penguin Good Australian Wine Guide 2010, Dec-09



2006 Brokenwood Umpire's Vineyard

91 Points

"A luscious, golden, sweet treat made using the cane-cut method, this is a blend of semillon, chardonnay and sauvignon blanc. Dried citrus peel, cumquat, some dried apricot too. Terrific freshness and balance, and a gentle, honey/nut finish. One to drink young as it's all there now."

Nick Stock, Penguin Good Australian Wine Guide 2010, Dec-09