

2004 Edition

"Former Houghton winemaker, now university lecturer and consultant, John Griffiths teamed with wife, Jane Micallef, to found Faber Vineyard. They have established shiraz, verdelho (1.5 ha each), brown muscat, chardonnay and petit verdot (0.5 ha each).....

... Possessed of an excellent palate, and with an impeccable winemaking background, the quality of John's wines is guaranteed..."

FABER VINEYARD RICHE SHIRAZ 2002

Impenetrable purple; complex, rich dark plum, prune and vanilla aromas are followed by a powerful palate with savoury overtones to the plum and black cherry fruit, the tannins certainly present but not aggressive. Despite all this, you have the slight feeling there is not quite enough flesh on the frame, but the price is certainly right.

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FABER VINEYARD SHIRAZ CABERNET 2002

Medium purple-red; the clean, firm, direct bouquet with red and black fruit aromas is basically repeated on the palate. A no-frills wine, but very well priced.

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FABER VINEYARD RESERVE SHIRAZ 2001

Dense, impenetrable purple; intense, deep plum, prune, chocolate and vanilla aromas lead into a massively powerful and complex palate, with great fruit depth and even more tannins. This needs more than a decade to show at its best.

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