

Shiraz/Syrah

	Glass	
0297 McWilliams, Hanwood Estate, Australia, 2008	10.00	40
2230 Two Hands, Angels Share, Australia, 2008	17.00	80
0329 St. Hallett, "Faith", Australia, 2006		50
4981 Shafer, "Relentless", Napa Valley, 2006		100*
1309 Finca Sandoval, Spain, 2005		79
3109 Penfolds, Bin 128, Coonawarra-Australia, 2006		48
3077 Mollydooker, The Boxer, Australia, 2008*		95*
2473 Henschke, "Mount Edelstone", Australia, 2004 (94 WS)*		130*

1967 Mollydooker, "Carnival of Love", Australia, 2007*(95 WS)* **225***
(#9 wine in the on world Wine Spectator Magazine 2008)

Big, rich and terrifically ripe. A lithe mouthful of pure wild blueberry and Asian spices, with swirls of plum and other berries as the finish rolls on, unimpeded by tannins. In the end, this has elegance to go along with its power. Drink now through 2017. 2,596 cases made. *-HS*

2082 Clarendon Hills, "Astralis", Australia, 2004 (98 RP) (97 WS)* **250***
(Please no additional discount on the Astralis)

One of Australia's most prodigious Syrahs, Clarendon Hills' 2004 Syrah Astralis is fashioned from vines planted in 1920, and spends time in 100% new French oak from the cooper, Cadus. It boasts off the charts intensity as well as an opaque purple color, and notes of spring flowers, blueberries, blackberries, roasted coffee beans, pepper, smoke, and a hint of sweet toasty oak. This full-bodied, rich, intense, backward Syrah needs 2-3+ hours in the decanter if one is going to approach it at this point in its life. Anticipated maturity: 2010-2040+.

2338 Mollydooker, "The Velvet Glove", Australia, 2007 (98 RP)* **350***
(Please, no additional discount on the Mollydooker Velvet Glove)

The 2006 Shiraz "The Velvet Glove" has an awesome nose bordering on ethereal. Aromas of smoke, violets, grilled meat, game, saddle leather, blueberry and chocolate leap from the glass. This full-bodied wine is packed and dense, layered with ripe black fruits, has superb delineation, great focus, and a super-long finish. It will benefit from a decade in the cellar. This hedonistic behemoth will drink well through 2040.

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