



HOWARD PARK
WINES OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

'Scotsdale' Shiraz in Top 100 List

The **2003 Howard Park 'Scotsdale' Shiraz** has achieved a place in the coveted Wine Enthusiast Magazine's Top 100 Wines of 2006, and is the only Western Australian wine to feature in the list.

The Wine Enthusiast Magazine is one of the world's most respected and quoted publications in the field of wine and spirits.

From a total of 8000 wines sampled in 2006, the Top 100 list presents the Magazine's best reviewed wines for the year. Multiple factors, predominantly focused on quality, style and varietal character are considered when selecting wines for this prestigious list.

The Howard Park 'Scotsdale' Shiraz is a single vineyard wine from the Frankland River area in the Great Southern region of Western Australia, and is one of four wines that form the Howard Park Single Vineyard Series.

Since Howard Park's inception in 1986, the focus has been to craft wines of distinct regional character from Western Australia's two premier grape growing regions of the Great Southern and Margaret River. Through this focus, four vineyard sites within these regions were found to produce exceptional Cabernet and Shiraz, hence the Single Vineyard Series was born.

First released in 1999, the Howard Park 'Scotsdale' Shiraz has received consistent praise from wine writers and in 2002, it was awarded the prestigious Divine State of Origin Award for the best Shiraz in Australia.

"This wine is truly reflective of Howard Park's philosophy that premium wine can only come from excellent fruit. Typical of the Frankland River region, the Scotsdale Shiraz mingles earthy and spicy aromas with a complex palate of ripe cherries, herbs, spices and cloves," says owner Jeff Burch.

The Top 100 Wines of 2006 include 44 from Europe and 56 New World wines. The Wine Enthusiast Magazine's 'Best of Year' Issue that lists the Top 100 Wines of 2006 will become available on December 31st.

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