



**Zonte's Footstep** is a proudly independent Australian wine company. We take our vineyards and our wine, but not ourselves, seriously. From a collective group of friends and wine industry know-it-alls, Zonte's Footstep was born. Needless to say, whilst our opinions and skills are varied, we all share the same passion for producing (and drinking) great wines. Our grapes are sourced from our own and our mate's vineyards, from regions that produce the best conditions for those grape varieties; hence the simple task of wines with a sense of place and/or purpose. Parcels are from the Barossa, McLaren Vale, Langhorne Creek, Adelaide Hills and further afield.

**So what's our motto...**

**THE TRUTH IS IN THE VINEYARD;  
THE PROOF IS IN THE BOTTLE...  
AS LONG AS IT'S A BLOODY GOOD DRINK.**

Wine Spectator Magazine  
**'Australian Wineries to put on your radar'**

Wine & Spirits Magazine  
**'Value Brands of the Year'**

New York International Wine Competition  
**'Barossa & Adelaide Shiraz Winery of the Year'**

James Halliday Wine Companion  
**"The wine quality is as good as  
the prices are modest"**

## Regionality of Shiraz

The age old question we are often posed is which region creates Australia's favourite Shiraz?

Well we decided to sit on the fence, giving you an expression of many and let you decide. The big difference between the regions is the climate.

**The Barossa** has a continental climate and therefore experiences great weather extremes—cold winters and long hot summers. It produces powerful wines with juicy fruit and unmatched depth and length, like Schwarzenegger in leather lederhosen. These are BIG wines and often best accompanied by food.

**The Adelaide Hills** may be classed as cool, mildly maritime with moderate sun and humidity. The undulating, steep sloping terrain around Lenswood minimises frost risk and the altitude reduces the chance of a heat wave during the summer. Annual rainfall lies between 700-1200mm. Soils vary considerably and include well-drained sandy loam with shale fragments overlying clay, weathered schists, skeletal quartzites and sandstone. The result: wines of elegance and concentration.

**McLaren Vale** on the other hand has a Mediterranean climate, and is in fact the only region legally privileged to claim as such. This is the place we call home - 'La Dolce Vita'. It has a more moderate temperature with warmer, wetter winters and hot dry summers. Situated near the coast and the Mt Lofty Ranges, McLaren Vale also experiences cool gusts of wind in the evenings and early mornings. It produces softer, more approachable wines with pure varietal fruit intensity. The best time to open a McLaren Vale Shiraz? Anytime (they just go down so easy).

**Langhorne Creek** is a cool desert. Hot days with extremely cool nights, moderated by the Great Southern Ocean. We believe it is the one region in South Australia that delivers the closest resemblance to that of Hermitage (Rhône Valley) the birth place of Syrah. Not just about the fruit, it's earthy too. What we have always loved is that they produce cracker wines.

## Mediterranean Varieties just have that 'X-Factor'

These wines with food, unite and ignite into a new flavour sensation. We believe wines are an integral part of daily life to be enjoyed with food, whether you are in Spain, Italy or Portugal...or Australia as a matter of fact. To prove it, we bottle our own Aussie versions of Pinot Grigio, Rose, Sangiovese/Barbera, Cabernet/Tempranillo, Prosecco, Rose and Malbec, all worthy of their trendy names. Cin Cin!

**'Fifty Best Rose of the World'**  
London, UK 2016



## Rose! The red wine drinkers 'White Wine'

Some are savoury, some are sweet... ours is ideal for Asian influenced cuisine on a hot Aussie day. We believe, we persist, & we love it. Drink Pink!

**Z-FORCE** In 2009 we started to produce our finest drop in honour of the extraordinary bravery of the Z-Force unit and its lost brothers. For each bottle of this wine sold, a portion helps support the work of Legacy South Australia and we are extremely proud of our contribution to such an admirable cause.

Z-Force was a special Australian Army unit created in World War Two to operate behind enemy lines. Z-Force's members were from many countries and specialised in unique guerrilla warfare. Although disbanded after the war, Z-Force pioneered numerous operational techniques and tactics, many as daring as they were brilliant; they remain a model to this day.

**James Halliday's Wine Companion 2016**

Z-Force 2013 - Top Cellaring Selection

**James Halliday's Wine Companion 2015**

Z-Force 2012 - Top Cellaring Selection

**Hong Kong International Wine Competition 2014**





**BARON VON NEMESIS BAROSSA SHIRAZ** Zonte's Footstep represents generations of grape growers who have not made Shiraz from the Barossa. Well Baron Von Nemesis, the time has come... all the milk chocolate in the world just won't do if you feel like something dark and broody. We scouted the entire Barossa to find this tiny parcel of old vine Shiraz that fits perfectly with our philosophy of people, place and purpose. Deep, vibrant, fleshy and accessible. Bring it on!

**CHOCOLATE FACTORY MCLAREN VALE SHIRAZ** In our beloved McLaren Vale our maritime climes produce the 'middle palate' of Australia's Shiraz with signature milk chocolate characters year in year out. McLaren Vale is not only our home but also the home of our very own Chocolate Factory. This wine delivers Black Forest cake in a bottle, and of course, a signature juicy milk chocolate core - decadent and lush.

**LAKE DOCTOR LANGHORNE CREEK SHIRAZ** Smells like a ladies handbag and tastes like a man's wallet. Named after the house-cooling breeze of our 'Lake Doctor', which arrives from the Great Southern Ocean direct from Antarctica and revives vines and vignerons alike in the Langhorne Creek. This vineyard was the birthplace of Zonte's Footstep and has produced exceptional fruit consistently since 2003.

**HILLS ARE ALIVE ADELAIDE HILLS SHIRAZ** Always looking for a "sense of place", we searched high-and-low to locate a jewel (or should we say Julie) in the picturesque Adelaide Hills. One of South Australia's coolest viticultural regions, the Adelaide Hills produce wines of elegance, finesse and prettiness. Think a rush of plums and cherries, a hint of rhubarb, and a dash of cocoa.

**CANTO DI LAGO FLEURIEU PENINSULA SANGIOVESE BARBERA** Sangiovese is all about savoury flavours and structure whilst Barbera brings to the table fruit, acidity and aroma. Canto di Lago, meaning 'Song of the Lake', is located next to the shores of Lake Alexandrina; a savoury, fruit-driven style with a plush, almost silky feel and a sour sweet twist to finish. Our version of an 'Italian tricycle wine'... hop on and enjoy the ride.

**AVALON TREE FLEURIEU PENINSULA CABERNET TEMPRANILLO** The King of Red grapes Rules. This timeless tincture is the essence of the Fleurieu Peninsula; classic Cabernet meets trendy Tempranillo. Parcels of fruit come from the heart of the Langhorne Creek, McLaren Vale and Adelaide Hills; this diversity of sites adds to the complexity of wine. A regal, dense, savoury and eminently satisfying wine.

**VIOLET BEAUREGARD LANGHORNE CREEK MALBEC** If it looks like a blueberry, smells like a blueberry and tastes like a blueberry pie then Violet Beauregard it must be. Since 2008, we have released a straight Malbec from some of the oldest vineyards in the world. One of our favourite varieties - Malbec may be the work horse variety of Argentina, but it's our thoroughbred. Best consumed without Veruca Salt or Augustus Gloop...

**PEACOCK'S FAN MCLAREN VALE GRENACHE** In our beloved McLaren Vale, the maritime climes produce the picture-perfect Grenache. Our Peacock's Fan struts its stuff with its tailfeathers in full fashion... a kaleidoscope of multi-dimensional fruit and earthy structure radiates from the glass. Exuberant plum and red berry fruits align with enveloping, soft tannins, accented with the perfumed cedary notes from minimal oak, of which our Grenache matured in. The result: a wine with structure, elegance and poise. Pretty stuff, our Peacock's Fan!

**EXCALIBUR ADELAIDE HILLS SAUVIGNON BLANC** Not just another NZ 'sauv-alanche', our Excalibur derives structure, fruit and aroma all from its pretty place, the Adelaide Hills. This is a fresh and flowery crisp white wine that delivers grapefruit, light grass and fresh herbal notes, and an acid kick at the end that gets you salivating for more.

**DOCTRESSA DI LAGO ADELAIDE HILLS PINOT GRIGIO** Altitude and cooler climate provide for the perfect conditions for this wine. The fruit for the Doctressa di Lago is sourced from hand tended blocks in the Woodside sub-region of the Adelaide Hills. The result is a wine with purity of fruit and minimal winemaking interference - unpretentious, crunchy and eminently refreshing.

**SCARLET LADYBIRD ROSE** After making Zonte's Footstep Rose for many years, we decided it deserved a name, and what better way than to honour our Scarlet Ladybirds. These cute little polka-dotted predators prey on tiny pests like aphids and keep our fruit pristine. The vineyards for this wine are scattered throughout the Fleurieu Peninsula, the sites allowing the fruit to retain natural high acidity whilst developing full varietal ripeness. Select small parcels of Rose become the ultimate melange of prettiness and punch... everything is Pretty in Pink.

**BOLLE FELICI PROSECCO** Taken from its Italian native tongue, our "happy bubbles" is lively and effervescent in style with delicate fruit aromas. Super fresh and clean with ripe citrus, lemon, and green apples. It finishes light and refreshing with a lovely rolling citrus curd note. It's the sun, it's your friends, it's your happy place. Bolle Felici is your invitation to enjoy tiny bubbles, a laugh, and a sun-drenched afternoon with your nearest and dearest; it truly is happiness in a bottle.

