

# MARION

## DEADMAN'S DOZEN

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### NV Airlie Bank Brut [YARRA VALLEY VIC]

A classic start to the dozen: Chardonnay and Pinot Noir made by 'Prince of the Yarra' Tim Shand [my words, not his]. Vibrant, focussed and some more-ish brioche complexity.

### 2016 AT Richardson 'Chockstone' Riesling [GRAMPIANS VIC]

Adam Richardson is kind of nuts. He is incredibly passionate about his site in one of the colder parts of the Grampians - which leads the wines to incredible freshness and structure. The Chockstone Riesling is zesty and crunchy with aromas of white flowers and pink grapefruit.

### 2015 MoFro Semillon/Chardonnay [PERRICOOTA NSW]

Definitely the best wine I've ever tasted from Perricoota. Refreshing, citric, white melon and bright stone fruit. Made by father Alan (with the huge 'Mo') and son Trent [with a giant 'Fro'] it's a laid-back easy drinker that reflects their sense of humour.

### 2015 Banks Road Pinot Grigio [BELLARINE VIC]

From the intrepid Bellarine Peninsula, planted by William & Avanelle Derham in 2002. A fresh example in a classic Grigio style, let it warm up a little to enjoy the texture and spice that is hidden straight out of the fridge.

### 2015 Artigiano Grillo [SICILY ITA]

My Godfather I love this wine. An artisanal producer with an Australian connection - the team at Aramis (McLaren Vale) collaborate with Artigiano to produce classic Italian styles with extra freshness. Grillo is a famous match with seafood and shellfish, and is refreshing enough to overcome the Sicilian heat.

### 2012 Riotor Côtes de Provence Blanc Rolle [PROVENCE FRA]

Rolle is the local Provencal word for Vermentino, a variety made famous for fresh and textural Italian wines. Heaps of stonefruits, old-school refreshing neutrality and plenty of texture. Chill it down and it's a super versatile food wine.

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### 2014 Pittnauer Blaufrankisch Rosé [BURGENLAND AUT]

From Austria's Eastern border, and grown by some rockstar winemakers that are converting to Biodynamics. Bone dry, a little nutty, very savoury, the sort of Rosé that we like to drink.

### 2015 Little Ra Ra Cabernet Franc [PYRENEES VIC]

Pyren Vineyard was established in 1999 by the Joy Family (my family). The Little Ra Ra wines are a new direction to wines from the Pyrenees region with a focus on approachability, interest and fun. The Cab Franc is fresh and crunchy with heaps of blue flowers and depth.

### 2014 Luna Rosa Sangiovese blend [CENTRAL RANGES NSW]

The label is an homage to the Portuguese Barardo family who are involved in the wine, a blend of old-world grapes and old-world expertise with new-world winemaking and freshness. Juicy, ripe, spicy, delicious.

### 2014 Mount Trio Cabernet Merlot [GREAT SOUTHERN WA]

The Great Southern wine region is the cutting-edge cousin to Margaret river. Large and still sparsely planted, the area is a hotbed of up-and-coming producers. The Cab Merlot by Mount Trio is grown in Frankland and Mount Barker, and made by winemaker Gavin Barry. Classic blackcurrent and chocolate with a refreshing finish.

### NV Delgado Zuleta 'La Goya' Manzanilla [JEREZ ESP]

The ultimate refreshing summer drink, perfect with oysters, anchovies and charcuterie. Manzanilla has a salty tang, and the Delgado Zuleta is aged for 8 years to develop some richness and balance.

### NV Maiden i Sweet Vermouth 375ml [BENDIGO VIC]

Gilles Lalalus and Shaun Byrne are the masterminds behind this unique and truly Victorian aperitif. Utilising local aromatics such as river mint, strawberry gum and wattle seed, this is a wine that speaks of its place. Vermouth is very versatile, in the 1920's you might have sipped it over ice, since the 1930's it has been a mainstay of traditional cocktail culture, and in Fitzroy in 2016 you'll probably go through cases of the stuff as the cornerstone in an Australian Negroni.