

## WINTER WHITES

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There's nothing like a brilliant white to get a meal off to a great start, even in the depths of winter.



18.5

**2005 Cape Mentelle Sauvignon Blanc Semillon, \$24**

This gets my vote as the best example of the style: intense, focused, vibrant, cool, tropical flavours with zesty minerality. Impeccable balance and a lingering aftertaste.



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**2003 Carlei Estate Chardonnay, \$49**

Serge Carlei is a renaissance producer in Victoria whose pinot and the chardonnay are exquisite. Gentle, cedary oak, hint of salt, intense, lively flavours of white peach and nectarine, and a lingering dry finish. [www.carlei.com.au](http://www.carlei.com.au)



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**2005 Castle Rock Riesling, \$21**

This has powerful lemon-lime flavours and is tighter and firmer than I'm used to from Pootungurup – yet it has finesse and elegance.



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**2005 Chapel Hill Unwooded Chardonnay, \$17.50**

This chardonnay has the weight and viscosity to make it ideal for serious winter drinking – bright and refreshing with layers of intense, cool, peachy flavours and crisp, zesty acidity.



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**2004 Howard Park Chardonnay, \$35**

A fine drop from a very good vintage in the Great Southern: pristine, intense, cool, stone-fruit flavours – nectarine, guava, melon – beautifully integrated with classy cedary oak. Marvellous viscosity, balance and impressive finesse.



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**2003 Leeuwin Estate Art Series Chardonnay, \$90**

A consistent, world-class chardonnay: Powerful, bold and complex with ripe peach, grapefruit and melon flavours, seamlessly integrated with spicy oak.



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**2004 Shaw & Smith M3 Chardonnay, \$36**

A single-vineyard stunner from the Adelaide Hills at a very fair price. Restrained yet intense, the texture is smooth and creamy. Dense, powerful, yet fine and elegant.



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**2004 Yasse Felix Chardonnay, \$22.50**

Excellent value with restrained buttery, melony flavours, lively, tangy, and refreshingly dry and crisp. An easy, satisfying drink-no style.



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**2005 West Cape Howe Sauvignon Blanc, \$19**

A Great Southern gem. There are bright gooseberry, lychee, guava and passionfruit flavours, wonderful vibrance and a crisp, refreshing finish.



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**2005 Reilly Semillon Sauvignon Blanc, \$19**

More than a decade of hard work is paying off for the Allan and Scott families. This is their best SSB yet, with greater intensity than before, attractive tropical-fruit flavours, a hint of grassiness, fresh, zesty and vibrant.