



STAGE 1 ASSESSMENT 2019

PRACTICAL PAPER

Question 1

Wines 1-3 all come from the same country.

For each wine:

- a) Identify the origin as closely as possible, and the grape variety(ies). (3 x 10 marks)
- b) Comment on the method of production, focusing on the key elements that determine the wine's style (3 x 7 marks)
- c) Comment on the commercial potential. (3 x 8 marks)

Question 2

Wines 4-6 are all made from the same single grape variety but come from three different countries.

With reference to all three wines:

- a) Identify the grape variety. (21 marks)

For each wine:

- b) Identify the origin as closely as possible. (3 x 8 marks)
- c) Comment on quality within the context of origin, with specific reference to capacity to age. (3 x 10 marks)

Question 3

Wines 7-10 are made from grape varieties associated with Bordeaux. Each wine is from a different country and from a different single or predominant (minimum 90%) grape variety.

For each wine:

- a) Identify the origin as closely as possible and the predominant grape variety. (4 x 12 marks)
- b) Comment on style, quality and commercial appeal. (4 x 13 marks)

Question 4

Wines 11-12 are from different countries.

For each wine:

- a) Comment on quality, with specific reference to the method of production. (2 x 12 marks)
- b) Identify the origin as closely as possible. (2 x 9 marks)
- c) Specify the alcohol level in % abv. (2 x 2 marks)
- d) Specify the residual sugar level in g/l. (2 x 2 marks)

1. Sparkling Shiraz, the Tight Cluster, Magpie Estate, 2012. Barossa Valley, Australia (13.5%)
2. Grand Vintage, Arras, 2008. Tasmania, Australia (12.5%)
3. Pink Muscat, Stella Bella, 2017. Margaret River, Australia (7.2%)
4. Ried Steinertal Riesling, Smaragd, F X Pichler, 2016. Wachau, Austria (13%)
5. Watervale Riesling, Mount Horrocks, 2018. Clare Valley, Australia (12.5%)
6. Rudesheimer Magdalenkreuz Riesling, Spätlese, Leitz, 2017. Rheingau, Germany (8%)
7. Domaine Filliatreau, 2017. Saumur-Champigny, Loire, France (13.5%)
8. Malbec, Q, Zuccardi, 2016. Valle de Uco, Mendoza, Argentina (14%)
9. Carmenère, Gran Reserva Medalla Real, Santa Rita, 2016. Colchagua, Chile (14%)
10. Cabernet Sauvignon, Pine Ridge, 2015. Napa Valley, USA (15%)
11. Blue Label, 5 Puttonyos Aszu, Royal Tokaji, 2013. Tokaji, Hungary (11%)
12. Grande Reserve, Domaine Pouderoux, NV. Maury, Roussillon, France (15.5%)

THEORY PAPER

TWO questions to be answered, ONE from Section A and ONE from Section B

Section A

1. Can Cabernet Sauvignon and Riesling be successful in the same location? **(Paper 1)**

Section B

2. Have supermarkets been a positive or negative force for mainstream consumers around the globe? **(Paper 4)**
3. Why and how should wine be stabilised before bottling? **(Paper 2)**