



Celebrate with us! Best's Wines 160 Years competition 12 x 2008 Thomson Family Shiraz Magnums on offer.

2008 THOMSON FAMILY SHIRAZ: Winemaker Adam Wadewitz

The Thomson Family Shiraz is produced from Henry Best's original 1868 Shiraz plantings, and only available in exceptional years, on average about six times a decade. The vines are cropped at less than two tonne per acre (four tonne per hectare) and are then meticulously hand-harvested, selected and sorted.

Thomson Family Shiraz was first made in 1993, one hundred years after the Thomson family settled in the area. It is produced predominantly from the fifteen rows of vines planted by Henry Best, recorded as "Hermitage" by Henry in his daily journal. Today the clone is referred to by the CSIRO as the '*Concongella clone*,' and it is the mother clone of all subsequent shiraz plantings at Best's Wines Great Western.

Best's Thomson Family Shiraz is hand-harvested, hand plunged and fermented in small open fermenters. After fermentation the grapes are basket-pressed and stored in barriques in our underground cellars. This wine is only produced in years when the quality is second to none. Listed in Langton's 2024 Classification of Australian Wine edition VIII as *1st Classified*.

HOW DOES THE 2008 THOMSON FAMILY SHIRAZ WINE TASTE?

Colour: Ruby with brick red edges. A complex aroma with obvious tertiary characters and a subtle vibrancy. Leather, chocolate, nutty, earthy, molasses, nutmeg, vanilla, cardamon, dried figs, dates, prunes, Christmas cherries, sage and dried flowers. Medium bodied, this wine still has quite a tight structure with youthful acidity. Cranberries, red currants, pomegranate, Christmas spice, orange rind/ zest. Cellaring potential 5- 8 years. Tasted in 2024.

VINTAGE CONDITIONS:

The 2008 vintage was very good here in Great Western. The overall results were impressive, delivering some strong concentrated Shiraz wines.

Terms and Conditions

Best's Wines 160 Years Competition July – December 2026.

1. Information on how to enter and prize form part of these Terms and Conditions of Entry. Participation in this promotion is deemed acceptance of these Terms and Conditions of Entry.

2. The promoter of this Competition is Best's Wines Pty Ltd (the "Promoter") (ABN 41 004 166 189), 111 Best's Road, Great Western, Victoria 3374

3. Entry is only open to Australian residents aged 18 years or over. By entering this promotion, you are certifying that that you are over 18 years of age. Employees, and their immediate families, of the Promoter and its agencies associated with this promotion are ineligible to enter.

4. The Promoter reserves the right to verify the validity of entries and entrants (including an entrant's identity, age and place of residence) and to disqualify any entrant for tampering with the entry process or for submitting an entry not in accordance with these Terms and Conditions of Entry.

5. The competition commences 12:00am Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST) on Wednesday 1st July 2026 and closes at 11:59pm AEST on Wednesday 6th January 2027 ("Competition Period").

HOW TO ENTER:

6. All Best's Wines club members in the Imperial, Magnum, Magnum Red, Discovery clubs are automatically entered in the month of their club pack. Club members in Best's Wines wine clubs outlined above will receive one automatic bonus entry into Best's Wines 160 Years Competition to be in the draw for one 2008 Magnum (1.5 Litre) of Thomson Family Shiraz.

Entry into the Best's Wines clubs draw aligns when the club packs are processed in the months inclusive and between the calendar months of July through to December 2026.

Imperial Club packs released in August and December 2026, Magnum and Magnum Red club packs in October 2026, and Discovery club packs in December 2026.

7. Subscription club members in the Best's Wines Handpicked and Icon clubs will receive one automatic bonus entry into the monthly draws' timed with the scheduled club pack shipments.

The frequency schedule includes club members in the 6-month, 4-month and 2-month subscriptions in the months inclusive and between the calendar months of July through to December 2026. (Handpicked club members in the 2-month subscription frequency will receive one automatic bonus entry with a month chosen at random during the 'Competition Period.')

8. Managed 20%, Managed 15% and Managed 10% customers receive one automatic bonus entry into Best's Wines 160 Years Competition to be in the draw for one 2008 Magnum (1.5 Litre) of Thomson Family Shiraz when a Managed club purchase over \$160 is made in the months inclusive and between the calendar months of July through to December 2026.

9. For existing Thomson Times subscribers to enter the Best's Wines 160 Years Competition a purchase over \$160 in a single transaction is required and equals one entry into the monthly draw aligned with the date of purchase. For example: A Thomson Times subscriber wine purchase over the value of \$160 in a single transaction in the calendar month of August 2026, puts that Thomson Times subscriber assigned to the purchase into the August monthly draw for a Magnum (1.5 Litre) of 2008 Thomson Family Shiraz.

Multiple entries are permitted and the Thomson Times subscriber discount of 5% is applied to any purchase amount with entry into the 'Competition' at \$160 spend. \$160 BEFORE TT Discounts. For online purchases, the \$160 minimum spend for competition entry excludes shipping costs.

Definition of a 'Thomson Times Subscriber' with Best's Wines. By signing up to our Thomson Times email newsletter subscription, you agree to be registered on the Best's Wines database and be contacted by phone and email about relevant offers.

Thomson Times Subscribers receive 5% discount on wine purchases at Best's Wines cellar door and online when logged in the Best's Wines website.

10. NEW signups to the Thomson Times email newsletter subscription are eligible to enter the Competition by signing up to the Thomson Times newsletter during a Best's Wines Cellar Door visit or via the banner pop up or fly over on the www.bestswines.com website.

The incentive of 10% for first online order by signing up to the Thomson Times e newsletter is valid and one entry into the Best's Wines 160 Years draw will be entered for the minimum spend of \$160 BEFORE the Thomson Times WELCOME 10 discount is applied.

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During the 'Competition Period of July 1st, 2026, through to December 31st, 2026, wine purchases over the value of \$160 at Best's Stable Cellar Door, 111 Best's Road Great Western, Victoria or online at www.bestswines.com are eligible entries.

11. Winner Selection: There are twelve prize winners drawn from all valid entries received during the competition period. Wednesday 1st July 2026 – Wednesday 6th January 2027.

(December entry draw will take place on Wednesday 6th January 2027 at 12:00pm AEST.

12. One draw will take place at the end of each calendar month Friday July 31st, Monday August 31st, Wednesday September 30th, Saturday October 31st, Monday November 30th, Wednesday 6th, January 2027, 111 Best's Road, Great Western, VIC 3374 at 12.00pm AEST.

13. The winner will be notified by telephone and notified in writing by email after the draws at the end of each month and the name of the prize winner will be displayed for 28 days on the Best's Wines website www.bestswines.com

14. Each month of the 'Competition Period' two winners (one from a Best's Wines Club membership and one from an existing or new Best's Wines Thomson Times newsletter subscriber) will be drawn as the winner of a magnum (1.5 Litre) of Best's 2008 Thomson Family Shiraz.

The prize will be delivered to a nominated address within the Australia Post domestic network. In the case of unattended deliveries, a calling card will be left, requiring the addresses to collect from a local Post Office, subject to confirmation and tracking information from Best's Wines Great Western.

15. In the event that a prize winner is unable to be contacted, the Promoter will retain the prize for one month and one day from the date of the original draw. If any prize is not claimed within this time a redraw will be conducted one month and one day after the initial draw, subject to any written directions given from a regulatory authority.

In the event the prize is returned to Best's Wines Pty Ltd from Australia Post within the week of delivery as 'uncollected', Best's Wines will endeavour to contact the winner to arrange a resend.

In the event of any winner in the unclaimed prize draws, they will be notified by email within two days of the unclaimed prize draw, and their name will be displayed on the Best's Wines website.

16. Decisions of the Promoter and the game of chance draw, generated with <https://www.random.org/> and will be binding on each person who enters the Competition and no correspondence will be entered into.

PRIZES

17. Each month of the 'Competition Period' Prize Winners will receive **1 x 2008 Thomson Family Shiraz Magnum (1.5Litre)**

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(December 2026 entries will be drawn on January 7th, 2027).

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22. All prize values are the recommended retail value (\$1000) each 2008 Thomson Family Shiraz Magnum (1.5 Litre) as provided by the supplier and are correct at time of printing. The Promoter accepts no responsibility for any variation in prize value. Total Prize Pool for the 2026 Best's Wines 160 Years Competition is \$12,000.

23. You agree that the Promoter may use your entry and any personal details provided to the Promoter for any promotional, marketing and publicity purposes of the Promoter in any media without notice and without any fee paid to you. For more details on Best's Wines privacy policy visit <https://bestswines.com/privacy-policy/>

24. All club membership entries from Imperial, Magnum, Magnum Red, Handpicked, Icon and Discovery will be entered into a monthly draw, and the relevant party may use the entrants name and email for future marketing purposes. By opting in, entrants confirm that they allow their details to be used for this purpose. If entrants no longer consent to their details being used for future marketing purposes they should contact the Promoter.

25. All Thomson Times newsletter subscription and Managed 20%, Managed 15% and Managed 10% entries will be entered into a draw, and the relevant party may use the entrants name and email for future marketing purposes. By opting in, entrants confirm that they allow their details to be used for this purpose. If entrants no longer consent to their details being used for future marketing purposes they should contact the Promoter.

26. All **new** Thomson Times newsletter subscription entries will be registered on the Best's Wines database, and the relevant party may use the entrants name and email for future marketing purposes. By opting in, entrants confirm that they allow their details to be used for this purpose. If entrants no longer consent to their details being used for future marketing purposes they should contact the Promoter.

27. No component of the prizes can be transferred or redeemed for cash. In the event that the prize, or any part of the prize, becomes unavailable due to circumstances beyond the Promoter's control, the Promoter reserves the right to provide a similar product to the same or greater value as the original prize, subject to any applicable laws or written directions made under applicable legislation.

28. Except for any liability that cannot be excluded by law, the Promoter (including its officers, employees and agents) excludes all liability (including negligence), for any personal injury or death; or any loss or damage (including loss of opportunity); whether direct, indirect, special or consequential, arising in any way out of the Promotion, including, but not limited to, where arising out of the following: (a) any technical difficulties or equipment malfunction (whether or not under the Promoter's control); (b) any theft, un-authorized access or third party interference; (c) any entry or prize claim that is late, lost, altered, damaged or misdirected (whether or not after their receipt by the Promoter) due to any reason beyond the reasonable control of the Promoter; (d) any variation in prize value to that stated in these Terms and Conditions of Entry; (e) Any tax liability incurred by a winner or entrant; and/or (f) Use of a prize.

29. If for any reason an act, agent or event beyond the reasonable control of the Promoter (including but not limited to vandalism, tampering, fraud, power failures, tempests, natural disasters, acts of God, civil unrest, strike, war, act of terrorism) prevents this promotion from proceeding in the manner described in these terms and conditions, the Promoter reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to the fullest extent permitted by law to (a) disqualify any entrant and/or (b) cancel, terminate, modify or suspend the promotion subject to any direction or requirement from any regulatory authorities.