

Route du Van



PO Box 1465, Warrnambool, Vic 3280 **Region** Various Vic

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Winemaker Tod Dexter **Est.** 2010 **Dozens** 8000

The Dexter (Todd and Debbie) and Bird (Ian and Ruth, David and Marie) families have been making or selling wine for over 30 years. They were holidaying in the picturesque vineyards and ancient Bastide villages of southwest France when they decided to do something new that was all about fun: fun for them, and fun for the consumers who bought their wines, which would have a distinctive southern French feel to them. The prices are also friendly, bistros one of the target markets. The business is obviously enjoying great success, production up from 3500 dozen to its present level off the back of expanded export markets. Exports to the UK, the US, Norway, Sweden and Poland.

🍷🍷🍷🍷 Yarra Valley Chardonnay 2013 It presents a refreshing face to the world, and a pleasing one. You'd be happy for it to take a seat at your dining table. Screwcap. 13% alc. **Rating** 90 **To** 2020 \$27 **CM**

King Valley Gioia Bianco 2015 Fruit-driven first and foremost, but with briny, spicy edges to give it an extra kick along. Classy in an understated way. Screwcap. 12.5% alc. **Rating** 90 **To** 2017 \$18 **CM** ★

Heathcote Shiraz 2014 Freshness is the key. There's a sizeable serve of fruit here and it's been given free rein; there isn't a great deal of tannin or oak, the result vibrant with various (delicious) berries, earth and dried spices. Refreshing face of Heathcote shiraz. Screwcap. 13.9% alc. **Rating** 90 **To** 2021 \$20 **CM** ★