

Our Wine Family Grows!

We are very excited about the new addition to the Chrismont LA ZONA range: our **2006 Arneis**, an ancient Piemontese variety that has found a home in the King Valley. Traditionally difficult to grow, Arneis in its Italian regional dialect translates to "little rascal." Often used as a blending variety and approaching extinction, it was revived in the early 1970s in Italy when its potential was recognised as a stand alone varietal. An exquisite aperitivo/sipping wine, a glass of the Chrismont LA ZONA Arneis 2006 offers green apples, pears and just a touch of peach; match with braised chicken breasts or seafood. Drink young, slightly chilled and, of course, in good company.

Celebrate each moment...now with Chrismont LA ZONA Arneis!



Sole with Grapes

6 fillets of sole, about 170-g each, skinned
Salt and pepper, to taste
30 g butter, cut into small bits
125 mL slivered almonds
Juice of 1/2 a lemon
250 mL seedless green grapes
60 mL freshly finely chopped parsley
125 mL dry white wine, sherry or Marsala

Preheat oven to 400 °F [200 °C].
Arrange fish fillets into a shallow baking dish.
Sprinkle fillets with salt and pepper & dot with butter.
Combine slivered almonds, lemon juice, green grapes and chopped parsley.
Spread mixture all over fillets.
Pour in dry white wine, sherry or Marsala.
Bake into preheated oven, uncovered, for 15 minutes or until just tender. Serves 6

This spring also brings the release of new vintages for **Chrismont LA ZONA Pinot Grigio 2006** and **Chrismont LA ZONA Sangiovese 2004**. Our Pinot Grigio, the "grey pinot", is particularly well suited to our King Valley vineyards and the crispness of the 2006 vintage proves itself as a perfect aperitivo/cocktail wine while the Sangiovese is a wine to experience rather than simply to drink. Complete tasting notes for current and previous releases can be found on our website [here](#).

Wine & Vine



An ancient variety grown near Alba in Piemonte (northwest Italy). Recently saved from extinction by a few notable Barolo (Nebbiolo) producers. Arneis is sometimes referred to as Barolo Bianco or Nebbiolo Bianco although never labelled as such. A vigorous vine of potentially high productivity, it can be difficult to grow. Predating the denominazione de origine controllata laws, this *little rascal* was sometimes blended with Nebbiolo to temper the tannin and acidity of Barolo, much as the French use Viognier in the Northern Rhone.

In addition to the plantings here in the King Valley, Arneis plantings can be found on the Mornington Peninsula and in the Riverland Wine region of South Australia.

Wine improves with age. The older I get, the better I like it.

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Why Sempre?

Chrismont proudly hails from North East Victoria, specifically the King Valley, Australia's uniquely diverse premium wine region. Each wine we produce is a masterful expression of the vineyards from which it came.

Chrismont's commitment to excellence in wine and, more importantly, to the successful relationship with our customers is constant—**always** present.

sempre [avverbio italiano] always (adverb) through all past or future time...for as long as anyone can foresee.

