

Clairault's very pleased to announce the latest Halliday scores for our wines, this is what he said about grape varieties in general...

*"Sauvignon Blanc—There is no point trying to beat Marlborough sauvignon blanc on its terms, whether 100% sauvignon blanc or blended with semillon. Australia makes a very different style, less precocious but with greater structure."*

*"Chardonnay—There is more activity in this category than any other. The use of wild yeast is now widespread: grapes are being picked earlier; the amount of new French oak is being reduced; larger barrels are being used; lees stirring is seen as optional, the list goes on. Three distinct styles are emerging: one uses Chablis as the yardstick, lean and crisp; the next white Burgundy, with funky/struck match aromas; the third in the middle, loosely called [by me] modern Australian."*

*"Cabernet Sauvignon and blends: The disproportionate number of Western Australian wines is in part a reflection of their excellent vintages of 2005, '07 and '08. Only in '06 did the fortunes break the other way, wet in the west, and superb in the east."*

JAMES HALLIDAY—TOP 100 WINES— Nov 2010



**Clairault Semillon Sauvignon Blanc 2010**  
95 points



**Clairault ESTATE Chardonnay 2009**  
95 points



**Clairault Cabernet Sauvignon 2008**  
95 points

