

Spring Vale Vineyard Melrose Pinot Noir Pinot Meunier 2009 \$22, Pinot Noir 2007 \$40, Sauvignon Blanc 2009 \$24, Pinot Gris 2009 \$28

William Lyne took up a land grant at Cranbrook, north Swansea, in 1826. Since 1986, Rodney and Lyn Lyne have planted 6.6ha of grapes, and in 2007 they purchased neighbouring property, Melrose, and its vines. The Lynes's daughter Kirsten and her husband, David Cush, make wines on site. The "Melrose" expresses a deliciously fresh, fleshy drink-now version of the pinots, but the 2007 pinot is a more serious wine, penetratingly varietal in aroma and flavour with a fine, taut acid and tannin structure. The richly textured, finely structured sauvignon offers ripe, tropical flavours. And the very dry pinot gris offers pear-like varietal flavour and savouriness.

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