

# Brindabella Hills Winery

**Owners:** Roger and Faye Harris

**Location:** Map Reference 2

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**The Wines**

Brindabella Hills makes Riesling, Chardonnay, Semillon-Sauvignon Blanc, Merlot, Shiraz and Cabernet Sauvignon.

**Cellar Door Sales**

10am-5pm weekends and public holidays. Tasting room and picnic facilities are available.

Brindabella Hills wines are to be found in most bottle shops and many restaurants in Canberra. Local distribution is by National Capital Fine Wines on 02 6239 5888.

Brindabella Hills was the first vineyard and winery in the picturesque hills west of Hall, established in 1986 by Roger and Faye Harris. This area now has seven vineyards with nearly 100 acres (42ha) under vine and will soon qualify for sub-region wine status.

The vineyard comprises 3 hectares of vines planted to the white grape varieties of riesling, chardonnay, sauvignon blanc and semillon, and red grape varieties of cabernet sauvignon, cabernet franc and shiraz. The vineyard is sited on a granite ridge that rises above the Murrumbidgee River and maximizes the climatic advantages of a warm site in a cool district. It is admirably suited to the grape varieties grown.

Roger is qualified in both chemistry (Ph.D Adelaide) and in winemaking (Charles Sturt University), having had a successful earlier career in CSIRO.

Since 1999 Brindabella Hills has expanded, doubling production for its own label and taking on contract winemaking for other growers in the area. The winery, too, has doubled in size and handled a 100 tonne crush in 2002.

