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Winemakers Reserve Vermentino, Metal Label Black Shiraz and Reserve Botrytis Semillon featured as 'intrepid trio' in Matthew Jukes 100 Best Australian Wines! Matthew says:

66 Back with a bang, Berton's Vermentino is an accomplished creation with pithy, raspy, melon-scrapings and a tangy, crunchy finish. There is nothing easy about this combative wine and that is exactly what you are after when you invite Vermentino to dinner. Attitude, edge and a skinsy finish make this the perfect antidote to neutral, chemistry-set, mass-produced muck and yet I am sure that it could become as famous as the next wine if people would give it a whirl! 2018 Metal Label The Black Shiraz (£11, 14.5%, www.coop. co.uk) is another crazy-good wine for a tenner and you can find it on every High Street in town. Perhaps this is because it wears its low slung belt-buckle label which punters adore but I couldn't give a rat's about that - I am a fan of the no holds barred flavour and muscularity which you never find on wines of this price because they are often polished into banal neutrality. The final wine in this intrepid trio is the beautiful, relaxed 2017 Botrytis Semillon Reserve (£13, half bottle, 11.5%, www.strictlywine.co.uk, www.winepoole.co.uk) which has none of the attitude of the other two wines. This is white tie ready with exquisite deportment and a flavour that would make classed growth Barsac blush. Hey ho - keep making these awesome value wines Bob, because we will keep drinking them. 9 9

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