

# 2013 First Hand Comments



**Joe D – 26 December, 2013 – United States**

A Mollydooker Christmas. Salute!



**Scott M – 25-December, 2013 – South Australia**

Merry Christmas Mollydooker Winery! Such an amazing drop!

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@shaunsandon glad you like it! Did you get to try some of The Boxer?

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@mollydookerwine did i ever! it was delicious; rich layers of chocolate & dark plum ...mmm all the good stuff. a great #shiraz thank you

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 **Kirsty Horn**  
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[@MollydookerWine](#) Thankyou to all the staff at the tour today. Amazing winery!

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[@MollydookerWine](#) - a friendly cellar door, delightful labels & left handed handshakes! Try the verdelho - amaze! #Adelaide #mclarenvale

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### ***Pete S – 4 December, 2013 - Australia***

My mate, Giorgio showed me the recent Wine Spectator Top 100 list. I could not help myself and had a look at what Aussie Wines made the list.

I saw yours was one of the only 3. As it turns out, I am writing this email to you as I enjoy the Two Left Feet. I dropped into the Sanctuary Cove Bottle Shop today and coincidentally ran across your wines again. Must be fate.

I asked my wife to try this wine and she said it was one of the nicest reds she has had. High praise from a someone who would not know a good wine from a bad wine but definitely knows that she likes which of course is the main thing. For the record I am also enjoying this lovely wine.

Anyway, hope to pop in to McLaren Vale at some point and meet. In the meantime we will enjoy your delightful wines.

Pete



**Rob P – 27 November, 2013 - Northern Territory**

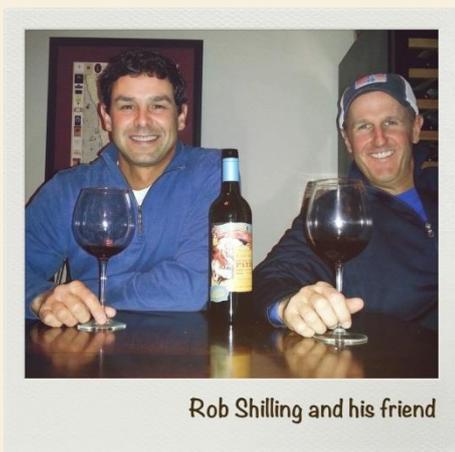
Rob P enjoying the Blue Eyed Boy with lunch at Sari Rasa in Darwin.



**Paul E - 20 November, 2013 - South Australia**

Just a note to thank you very much for your unparalleled hospitality on Sunday when you opened the winery to us. Our USA colleagues had a ball, as did us locals. So much so that we joined the Molly club. I must admit that I had not tried your wines or even heard of them until our US colleagues told us about you. I have lived in SA nearly all my life and I must say, having visited most wineries north of Adelaide, the visit to Mollydooker was, without doubt, the best experience I have had. I look forward to many evenings, sharing your wines with my wife (as we are right now actually) after receiving the Winemaker's Dozen. Thank you again and what a great SA business you have.

Take care and thank you for such a great product.  
(Can't wait to get into the Velvet Glove!)



Rob Shilling and his friend

**Rob S - 15 November, 2013 - USA**

Rob and his friend enjoying a bottle of the 2006 Enchanted Path.



**Laurie & James Donahoo – 12 November, 2013 – New York, USA**

Laurie enjoying the first glass of Mollydooker from our holiday order!



**Michelle E – 1 November, 2013 – Alberta, Canada**

Sarah & Sparky,  
Thank you for producing these fine wines which are always enjoyed at our family functions!

**John V – 31 October, 2013 – Arizona, USA**

I celebrated my 70th birthday while visiting family in Minnesota a couple weeks ago. I was in charge of wine for my birthday dinner, and I found a Mollydooker Cab in a local wine store. I bought it, forgetting that my step-daughter usually doesn't like Cabs. Well, she loved it! My son-in-law is getting into wine, so a week later I emailed him scans of a couple of my columns that featured Mollydooker wines. He immediately responded with a photo of their wine for that evening's dinner. You guessed it, another Mollydooker Cab!

**Eric R - 16 October, 2013 – Hawaii, USA**

I recently had the wonderful opportunity to indulge in The Maitre D' Cabernet Sauvignon during a wedding reception on the island of Maui in Hawaii. I could not ask anything more from what a Cabernet should taste like than your wine. Absolute perfection.



**Bridget - 1 October, 2013 - South Australia**

On behalf of all of us a big thank you for such a lovely day at Mollydooker!

The story of your wine from vine to cask was very informative and so well explained, thank you Russ! We all felt we learned a lot of new things yesterday.

The lunch and wine tasting was far beyond our expectations and thoroughly enjoyed by all. It felt like we were sitting around the table with old friends, what a great atmosphere you create.

Aside from your excellent product I have to also compliment you on the Mollydooker branding, the labels, brochures... right down to the wine bags!

We are hoping to come back to do the tour during vintage to see everything in action.

Regards,  
Bridget

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**Hardy K – 1 October, 2013 - South Australia**

We had a fantastic 1/2 a day at your winery! You guys exceeded our expectations with your friendliness, patience and generosity. Russell gave us a very interestingly presented tour!! It was great fun! And the best thing of all.....Karin is now drinking red wine with me (rather than a white on her own) again. The platter was fantastic and the opportunity to taste the sensational wines in a very relaxed ambience was appreciated. How could we not but purchase the Winemakers Dozen. Look forward to visiting again and making use of our discount! Already down to 8 of the dozen...

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**Joanna P – 15 September, 2013 - Los Angeles, CA**

Hey Mollydooker!- I started drinking your wines because a friend of my fiancé's father (say that three times fast) got me hooked on Blue Eyed Boy. It's still my very favorite red, and I only drink reds. So really it's my favorite wine.

I just wanted to say thanks for all the great times/tastes! As a tribute to how awesome your wine is I featured it in some of my engagement photos I attached...and I'll work on getting some for the wedding!

All the Best,  
Joanna

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**Patrick S – 13 September, 2013 - South Australia**

Many thanks for taking the time to show our South African clients Mollydooker Wines. As usual, they came away very impressed with the winery, attention to detail and the amazing wines! You guys are a great advertisement for what is great about our industry.

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**Peter K – 9 September, 2013 - South Australia**

Many thanks! A memorable experience. I have been to hundreds of wineries over the years and today ranks up there with the best.

Great tour, wine, food and company.

Cheers,  
Peter

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**Mike W – 12 August, 2013**

Many thanks for sending the pic of our group of visitors from Monday. Bob and I had a most delightful and memorable time during our visit. Bob has asked me to pass on his special thanks to all involved, and Russell in particular for the tour and hosting at the lunch. It was lovely to meet your team, and also to 'catch-up' with Matty, Sarah and Sparky on their 'home territory'. The winery tour gave me a much deeper understanding of the skill and complexity involved in producing such beautiful wine. I never realised the extent of the production process, and also gained a great respect for the research and development that had taken place over the years.

I have attached some of the pics that I took during the tour. I expect you already have thousands of pictures, but maybe these will serve some purpose. The instantaneous 'snap' of Sarah with phone to ear and smile in place is so nice.

You all made me feel like part of the family, and the luncheon you provided was quite remarkable.... we enjoyed it so much. I think that Bob's wife may have been a bit jealous when she viewed the picture of that beautiful spread laid out so elegantly!

Kind regards  
Mike

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***Andrew F – 29 July, 2013 - South Australia***

I wanted to congratulate you both on a great wine as well as your refreshing marketing appearance, carry bags, labels and website. We look forward to drinking more Mollydooker in the future!

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***Merrick W – 26 July, 2013***

I just wanted to offer some feedback in regards to your wines. Last weekend, under recommendation I had a bottle of your Giggopot Cab' Sauv'. It was bloody terrific! Cheers!

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***Rohan G – 19 July, 2013 - South Australia***

Absolutely love the Blue Eyed Boy! It's Gold now and I know it'll be awesome later.

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***Jennifer K – 12 July, 2013 - Canada***

Your wine has been our favorite since we discovered it on our anniversary 3-4 years ago in Vegas. We even took a bottle of Velvet Glove that we saved for our 20th anniversary in San Francisco, Ca. this year.

We bought a bottle of Velvet Glove wine from a silent auction, not knowing it was one of yours, and it accompanied instructions to not drink the wine for 3-5 years. So we decided that our 20th anniversary would be the perfect time to open it and thus stored it in the basement and waited. The next year we went to Vegas for our 17th anniversary and had dinner at Emeril's and your wine, The Boxer, was suggested to us to go with the meal. I liked it so much I detached the little stamp size poster, very clever by the way, so I could see if your wine was in Canada. And it was!

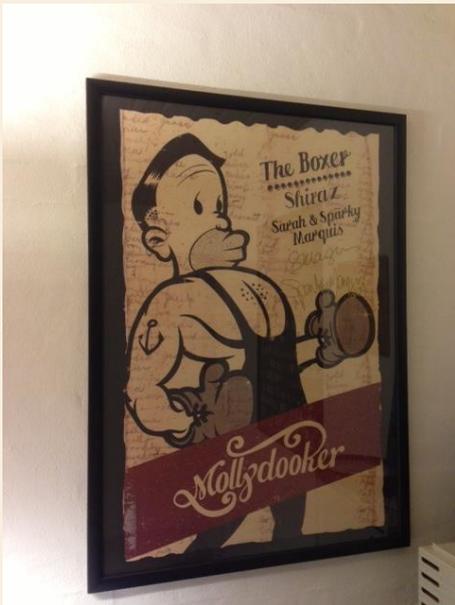
Then I became nervous because what if it was only really great wine because of the ambiance, the Vegas, the mood? But it didn't disappoint at all, I still loved it. It was at this point we discovered that Velvet Glove was also yours and we knew it had to be fate...we loved them both! We carried it in our luggage, on the plane, to San Francisco to celebrate our 20th anniversary and took it to an Italian restaurant to enjoy with our meal on the actual date of our anniversary May 8th.

So thank you very much for what you do and for such great wines.

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***Carolyn P – 11 June, 2013 - Kentucky, USA***

The Maitre D' is our favorite wine - we discovered it while eating out with good friends at Jeff Ruby's steakhouse here in Louisville and have fallen in love with all things Mollydooker since! In fact, for our anniversary, we joined MollyClub.



**Thomas B – 12 May, 2013 - Denmark**

A little bit of Mollydooker in Denmark!



**Alison H – 5 May, 2013 - Australia**

The BOXER was the drink of choice at the Phil Hoffman Travel's Escorted Tour Reunion!

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**Bob and Jean W – 3 May, 2013 - Canada**

We are the Canadians who had the privilege of having a wine tour with Sparky's dad, Leigh. We had a fabulous tour and I was so thrilled to be able to drink wine again as I have a sulphite allergy...this is the only wine that does not give me a blinding headache the next day.

Thanks again for a fabulous tour.  
Bob and Jean

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**MB and Mrs MB – 1 May, 2013 - Australia**

What a refreshing, friendly, relaxing & contagiously dedicated atmosphere we were kindly invited to enjoy at Mollydooker Wines. It was emotionally uplifting mixing with people like yourselves. Russell was excellent at informing us of the details & putting us on the right ..... err ..... should I say left track, with regards the quality & flavour of your wines. Please thank him from us both.

Thanking you again AND we will be bringing friends your way soon.

Kind Regards,  
MB and Mrs MB

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***Chuck and Sue M – 29 April, 2013 - Washington, USA***

We want to thank you and the winery staff for the wonderful time we had. It was stunning being able to taste all of the wines in the winery and at the luncheon, including the Velvet Glove.  
-Chuck and Sue



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***Sybil and Paul M – 29 April, 2013 - Texas, USA***

Thought all of you would enjoy the photo of our wine cellar here in Texas. Yes, we are mad about your wine! Fond memories of the tour and tasting back in 2010 and the amazing delectables set out atop a wine barrel end branded Mollydooker.

All of our best wishes to all of you at the winery,  
Sybil & Paul



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***Emily S – 27 April, 2013 - NSW, Australia***

Thank you for your amazing wine on our friend's special occasion, Heather and Aaron's wedding!

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***Didi, Randy and Pat – 26 April-13 - Iowa, USA***

Loved our visit at Mollydooker in March this year...what a treat! Great food! Great wine! Great tour! Great people!

Thanks!

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***Terrie I and Jeff N – 22 April, 2013 - Missouri, USA***

Dear Mollydooker family,  
Thank you so much for your incredible kindness on our tour last week. We have safely arrived back in St Louis (and ordered more wine today). We enjoyed one of the bottles at the Barn in McLaren Vale with my parents (who were so excited by the tour) the night after we toured and took the Velvet Glove to share in St Louis with the Stahl family who had introduced us in 2006 to your wonderful wine - it arrived safe and was celebrated as we watched videos of your family and told stories of our tour.

Thank you so much - we truly feel part of the family and will continue to do our best for the babies we care for with the celebration of the talent that we will share in great wine occasions.

With many, many thanks for your kindness

Terrie and Jeff

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***Kim and Larry – 21 April, 2013 - Oregon, USA***

My husband Larry and I would like to thank you sooooo much for your hospitality during our visit to Mollydooker on March 12. The tour was fantastic and our tour guide, Russ, was great! Really friendly and knowledgeable. Being able to taste the 2012's before they were bottled was a special treat, and meeting Sparky, then receiving a bottle of the 2011 Carnival of Love was amazing. All in all, our visit to Mollydooker was one of the highlights of our trip to Australia. Everyone we met at the winery was super nice and friendly, and we really enjoyed ourselves. If we ever get back to Australia, we will definitely visit Mollydooker again!

We've always loved your wines, and since our visit to the winery, we've become even bigger fans than ever-- if that's actually possible, since we've been huge fans for years! Anyway, thank you again so much the opportunity to tour your winery. We loved our visit, and we love Mollydooker!

Cheers!

Kim

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***Aaron R – 18 April, 2013 - Australia***

Would just like to thank the whole team at Mollydooker for a great time on the tour.

Love all the wines and the tour itself. Not to many wineries can compete with the great sense of humour and how kind the whole team was and how cheerful and friendly that everyone was during a busy time of year for Mollydooker.

Myself and Jenny greatly appreciated the day at Mollydooker.

Kind Regards,

Aaron R

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***Chris C – 4 April, 2013***

Hi Mollydooker's,

I just wanted to thank you all so much for the most amazing time last Monday. Our group were truly overwhelmed by your generosity and knowledge. We loved every moment of the tour and our guide Russell was a delight!

The actual tour taught us all an incredible amount.. but the lunch after was made in heaven...the tastings were to die for.. and we just could not have asked or wanted more. Your hospitality was nothing less than spectacular. Thank you to Russell and Sparky for your incredible insights.. and humour!!

Thank you so much...

.....and we are all dying to know if Sparky decided to harvest on Tuesday.. or is he still holding off?????????????????

Cheers,

Chris C :)

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***Judy M and Vaughn W – 3 April, 2013 - Utah, USA***

Thanks for setting up the tour and visit on March 14th.

Judy and I had a spectacular time. Anita was great and Sparky, well he was Sparky (wonderfully entertaining and enlightening).

The only thing better than your tour is your wines and we look forward to enjoying them year after year. Thanks again!

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***Shirin – 1 April, 2013 - Australia***

Dear Russell, Sparky, Andrew & all of you beautiful people at Mollydooker,

Thank you so much for your generosity of hospitality, time, food & wine, spirit & heart (....the list could go on & on), & for giving us such a wonderful time today. We are all totally blown away that you do this all the time for so many people, & make everyone feel so welcome. I really don't think I have been to anything else quite like this before. Thank you, thank you, thank you - we all left there in awe of your warm-heartedness & friendliness. And I haven't even mentioned the superb quality wines yet! And the tour! You are all amazing, you obviously love what you do passionately, and that is a wonderful thing. We had such a great time with you today & really appreciated it all. A big THANK YOU!!!

Shirin XX

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***Cal S – 25 March, 2013***

Two Aussie icons worth visiting, side by side!

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***Ryan C – 19 March, 2013 - Colorado, USA***

Now our favourite wine has a place of honor in our home.

Thanks a million!

Ryan