

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Additional Estimates 11-14 February 2013

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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Topic: PM's Wine Cellar

Senator: Senator Ryan

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Question:

1. Are guidelines provided to the PM and PM's spouse, regarding access to the cellar?
2. On what occasions can the cellar be accessed? Is it only for official formal gatherings or is it at the PM and the PM's spouse discretion?
3. What costs have been incurred in stocking and restocking the wine cellar in each financial year since July 2010?
4. Please attach a list of wines purchased for the wine cellar.

Answer:

1. No.
2. The cellars at the Official Establishments are maintained for the Prime Minister and family. Wine for official functions arranged by the Ceremonial and Hospitality Branch of the Department is held separately.
3. The Department does not record information of wine purchases in a way that would readily enable this question to be answered. To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of resources.
4. Attached is a list of the wines which were in The Lodge and Kirribilli House cellars as at 31 January 2013.

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Wine List at The Lodge as at 31 January 2013

Type	Number
Brown Brothers Pinot Noir Chardonnay 2011	1
Grant Burge Pinot Noir Chardonnay 2011	27
Jacobs Creek chardonnay Pinot Noir	1
Mount Horrocks Riesling 2005	2
Miranda Golden Botrytis 2002	1
Kalleske Shiraz VP 2007	4
Scarborough Late Harvest Semillon 2008	6
Delatite Gewurztraminer 2009	2
Bridgewater Mill Vintage Chardonnay 2010	3
Starvedong Lane Sauvignon Blanc 2008	2
Stella Bella Sauvignon Semillon Blanc 2010	4
Pizzini Pinot Grigio 2010	1
Tobacco Road, Victorian Alps Winery 2011	1
Swan Bay Chardonnay 2009	3
Heirloom Vineyards Pinot Grigio 2011	1
Banrock Station Sauvignon Blanc 2012	15
Geoff Weaver Sauvignon Blanc 2012	15
Grant Burge Pinot Gris 2010	18
Canberra Federation Red 2000 (1998 Cabernet Franc)	2
Canberra Federation Red Magnum 2000 (1999 Cabernet and Shiraz blend – Centenary of Federation 1901-2001)	9
Charles Melton Rose of Virginia 2008	6
Charles Melton Rose of Virginia 2009	10
Kilikanoon Killerman's Run Shiraz 2009	7
Schobers Cabernet Sauvignon 2009	1
Mount Langi Ghiran Cliff Edge Shiraz 2002	3
Philip Shaw, The Wire Walker, Pinot Noir 2011	2

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Type	Number
Chalkers Crossing, Pinot Noir 2009	2
Tobacco Road, Victorian Alps Winery 2011	1
Witchmount Shiraz 2006	12
Eagle Hawk Shiraz 2011	7
The Riddler Reserve Shiraz Cabernet 2008	39
Total	208

Wine list at Kirribilli House as at 31 January 2013

Type	Number
Croser Non Vintage	10
Taltarni Brut Vintage 2009	2
Innocent Bystander Moscato 2010	1
Scarborough Late Harvest Semillon 2008	1
Sandalford Margaret River Riesling 2002	2
Brokenwood ILR Semillon 2004	2
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Voyager Sauvignon Blanc Semillon 2011	12
Cape Mentelle Georgiana Sauvignon Blanc 2011	7
Henschke Cyril Cabernet Sauvignon 2001	2
d'Arenberg Footbolt Shiraz 2009	1
Stonier Pinot Noir	2
Toolangi Pinot Noir 2010	2
Ninth Island Pinot Noir 2011	10
Victoria Park Pinot Noir 2011	3
Coldstream Hills Pinot Noir 2011	5
St Hallet Shiraz Cabernet 2010	2
Total	66