



Pinot Noirs at up to \$275 ...

'A rare talent' *Gourmet Traveller Wine*

'Top 10 wines of 2014' *Wine Times HK*

95+ *James Halliday Chardonnay Challenge*

'Future leader' Seminar Attendee

*Winemakers Federation Of Australia*

Quite simply, this is one of Australia's  
greatest ever Rieslings.

*John Jens re the 2013 Rani Riesling, \$75, in 2013*

“With interest in Domaine Simha increasing and the wines already sold at high-end restaurants throughout Australia as well as Hong Kong, Singapore and the UK, staying small might be a challenge.”

“Made in micro-batches, a limited number of Domaine Simha wines are made each season. They are sought by collectors and sommeliers, featuring in restaurants like Quay, Aria, Rockpool, Ester, Attica, Automata, Poly and Dinner by Heston.”



Nav Singh is in Perth from Tasmania for three nights only, and he is joining us at Cottesloe to host a relaxed casual tasting in our private Blackwell room for the second time.

Tasting: 5.30-7pm, 8 Wines with nibbles, \$40.  
Cocktail style tasting.  
**Tuesday, October 26<sup>th</sup>**



“We believe an artisan business model will be rewarding and sustainable over the long term,” says Louise.

“Wine is generally a career of love, not money. This is the lifestyle we have chosen to embrace.”

## Domaine Simha

Domaine Simha is already considered one of Tasmania's 'avant garde' producers after barely 3 vintages. It was founded by winemaker Nav Singh - experience at Mountadam, Dom de L'Arlot, Le Pin/Vieux Chateau Certan - and Somm/journalist/marketer Louise Radman.

Nav Singh explains Domaine Simha's non-interventionist/au natural way of doing things as a matter of 'letting the wines come to us'. He could easily grab the 'natural wine' banner, that is so currently fashionable, but focuses instead on revealing the nuances and idiosyncrasies of each season and plot of land as they are. Singh/Radman work very closely with growers in the Derwent, Coal and Huon Valleys.

The wines are fascinating, and delicious.

Only 2-3 barrels/amphorae are made of each wine, therefore supply is extremely limited. All are fermented with wild yeast, unfinned and unfiltered. In some cases, stock amounts to a few bottles only.

*pinotshop.com*

It's about what really surprised and scintillated me. Wines that I reckon will set your pulse racing and, in this case, gratify the grey cells into the bargain. All told, utterly compelling wines which are well worth seeking out. Even if you have to go to Hobart and back! And that certainly distinguishes the wines of Nav Singh and Louise Radman of Domaine Simha, Tasmania. The packaging may be slick and the cellar door's setting at Brooke Street Pier James Bond-ian (James Bondi to Aussify it?), but trust me, these wines display the lightest of touches - a super-skilled hand at the tiller. The result? Emphatically fine-framed, yet textured, perfumed wines.

*Sarah Ahmed, The Wine Detective*

# THE CONTEXT

## Great Tasmanian Riesling

Naveet Singh, the first of Indian descent to graduate from an Australian wine college and who also has a degree in business administration - has set up one of his two Australian wine operations in Tasmania's Coal River Valley as he and his wife believe that they can make wines of world class there.

This is no whimsical thought. Nav, previously a sommelier at the upmarket Blake's Restaurant at The Hyatt Adelaide, began studying enology following encouragement from winemaking friends. After graduation in 2003 he completed three vintages at Burgundy's famous Domaine L'Arlot - where he gained his love of pinot noir.

Several weeks at Domaine Zind Humbrecht in Alsace further focused his riesling ambitions - which he also now makes in Tasmania.

More recently, and after a winemaking stint in Margaret River, the couple have set up both the commercially priced Matchbox Wine Co in the Clare Valley and their expensive and meticulously made Domaine Simha wines from the Coal River Valley.

Nav's sub \$50 Sanskrit label wines from Tasmania's southernmost vineyard will follow shortly.

Nav sees no glass ceilings and has completed the invitation only prestigious Australian Wine Industry Future Leader's Program and he has begun planning an Australian winemakers introductory tour to meet India's wine importers, sommeliers and journalists. He is also in the process of launching the first ever Indian food and wine matching app.

### **Domaine Simha 'Rani' Coal River Valley Riesling 2013**

Quite simply, this is one of Australia's greatest ever rieslings. This is a soft, cool area, long and dense wine that shows classy winemaking sophistication. It has an intriguing complexity and a "worked" component that provides the seamless texture. One of the few young and fresh Australian rieslings to display the benefits of secondary flavours and one of the few to have genuine "European like" cool area characteristics.

This is my finest Tasmanian and is amongst my five greatest Australian rieslings ever. This provides a mind changing and exciting mouthful of flavour. Just seventy dozen made. 18.8 points RRP \$75.

*John Jens, Western Suburbs Weekly*



Domaine Simha was founded by Nav Singh and Louise Radman.

Navneet, the founder and the winemaker at Domaine Simha, developed many of his talents working at Burgundy's De L'Arlet in Nuits St Georges, the highly prestigious Château Le Pin and Vieux Château Certan in Pomerol and Château d'Yquem, Domaine Chandon, as well as five years spent at Moss Brothers in the Margaret River.

Nav also has a host of qualifications which include both Viticulture and Oenology certificates from the University of Adelaide.

Nav believes in a natural approach to winemaking, following biodynamic principles, paying careful attention to the harvesting dates, whole bunch and wild fermentations only using naturally occurring yeasts, basket pressing and bottling his wines unfinned and unfiltered for purity and texture. The wines are made in tiny quantities and Nav works in micro batches, making just 2 to 3 barrels to ensure the wines are produced at the highest possible level of quality.

This meticulous attention to detail and devotion to quality manifests proudly in their superb wines, which both Stu and Magda enthusiastically refer to as "one of the finds of the year". The world's expertise follows suit - when tasted by the world's 50 top sommeliers, Domaine Simha Pinot Noir was rated as one of the top 10 in the world and equivalent to some of the premium Pinot Noirs from

Burgundy that they have been pouring for many years!

*thevinorium.co.uk*

Avant-garde Tasmanian wine.

Crafted by hand, just two to three barrels of each Domaine Simha wine are made each year. An avant-garde approach shapes living wine relying on ancient knowledge and intuition. At heart lies the epic beauty of Tasmania's pure natural environment, sparkling air and ancient soil.

Nav Singh spearheaded a new wave of winemaking in Tasmania, opening the doors to progressive styles that are highly sought by top sommeliers and collectors.

Singh's natural methods embrace harvesting by lunar cycle on fruit and flower

days. Wild fermentation with gentle foot pigeage and basket pressing means his wines are seamless and graceful. Maturation in clay amphorae and custom made demi-muid oak builds layers of texture with perfect natural balance and superb ageing potential.

The house of Simha originates from sanskrit for lion.  
*hobarttravelcentre.com.au*

## The Wines

### **Domaine Simha Rani Riesling 2020, Our Price \$63**

Pristine riesling of glacial purity and powerful terroir, promising great longevity

A mountain of light, awash in diamond brilliance. Fragrant white lotus, fresh rain, lime juice cool Makrana marble, beauty, purity and starlight.

Only 800 bottles produced.

*domainesimha.com*

### **Simha Nature Sauvignon Blanc 2020, Our Price \$38**

An expressive sauvignon style. Passionfruit, sweetpea, lemon, gooseberry and fresh basil notes. Bright, fruitful, softly textured and fresh.

*domainesimha.com*

### **Domaine Simha Rao Chardonnay 2020, Our Price \$78**

Graceful chardonnay woven with whispers of new French oak  
Luminous pearls shining by moonlight. Crocus flower, lemon, oyster shell, almond milk, cashmere and the soft kiss of powdered snow.

Only 720 bottles produced.

*domainesimha.com*

### **Sanskrit Pinot Noir Rose 2020, Our Price \$38**

### **Simha Nature Pinot Noir 2020, Our Price \$49**

### **Simha Lionheart Amphora Pinot Noir 2020, Our Price \$58**

### **Domaine Simha Rama Pinot Noir 2020, Our Price \$72**

### **Domaine Simha Rana Pinot Noir 2020, Our Price \$126**

Exceptional pinot noir of ethereal beauty and powerful foundations. An epic love story. Spring peony perfume, red coral, truffle mountain pepper, sandalwood and the mysterious beauty of Eastern poetry. 1 demi-muid (800 bottles) produced.

*domainesimha.com*

# Price List

Avail.	Wine	Our Price	Qty	Total
	Rani Riesling 2020	\$63		
	Simha Nature Sauvignon Blanc 2020	\$38		
	Rao Chardonnay 2020	\$78		
	Sanskrit Pinot Noir Rose	\$38		
	Simha Nature Pinot Noir	\$49		
	Simha Lionheart Amphora Pinot Noir	\$58		
	Rama Pinot Noir 2020	\$72		
	Rana Pinot Noir 2020	\$126		
	<b>Tasting, 5.30-7pm, Tuesday October 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>\$40</b>		
		<b>Total</b>		

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Delivery Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

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