

McHENRY HOHNEN



2021 SYRAH

Complex and highly fragrant, this Syrah reveals lifted aromas of red plum, white pepper and cinnamon spice, interwoven with savoury black olive and earthy undertones. The palate is medium-bodied and elegant, offering vibrant red and blue fruits, a velvety mocha character, and warm spice. Firm yet supple tannins frame the wine, delivering a finely textured and persistent finish. A distinctive expression of Syrah, and a true reflection of the style—refined, savoury, and uniquely Margaret River.

VINTAGE REPORT

The 2021 season began with a cool, wet Spring, which led to a lighter fruit set in several varieties, including Chardonnay. Above-average rainfall in early Spring brought added disease pressure, requiring increased attention and care in our organically farmed vineyards. As Spring transitioned to Summer, the season was marked by warm, dry conditions, punctuated by a few rain events in February and March. These required additional canopy management and careful fruit selection by our committed vineyard team to ensure quality at harvest.

WINE MAKING

Sourced from a single block of Syrah at Hazel's Vineyard, a portion of the fruit was hand-harvested and transferred to a wooden fermenter. The fermenter was sealed for several days to allow carbonic maceration to occur within the berries. A small amount of Roussanne was co-fermented with the Syrah to enhance aromatic lift. Gentle extraction followed over a ten-day period. After pressing, the wine was matured in a single 2700L French oak cask for 10 months before racking and bottling in Summer 2022.

VINEYARD

Hazel's Vineyard reflects our commitment to regenerative farming and the pursuit of quality through responsible agriculture. Located in Forest Grove, this southern Margaret River site is defined by free draining ironstone gravel soils, a cooling maritime influence, and a north-facing aspect ensuring optimal exposure to the sunlight. Sustainable farming practices have brought enhanced vitality into these soils, enabling us to produce wines with exceptional texture, vibrancy, and site expression.

DISTRICT OF ORIGIN 100% Margaret River

GRAPES 100% Syrah

Analysis Alc 13.6%