

McHENRY HOHNEN

MARGARET RIVER

2022 Sauvignon Blanc



Lifted and varietal nose, with delicate notes of gooseberry and lemon oil, intertwined with flinty elements and nougat notes from barrel fermentation and extended time on fine lees. The palate is fresh but full flavoured and textural, with a core of ripe tropical fruit and a salty acid line. A highly flavoured and textural wine combining varietal definition and intriguing barrel ferment complexities.

VINTAGE REPORT

A season that slowly escalated into a very hectic but also exciting harvest. A cooler and wet Spring saw vine growth delayed in development, and we were set for a late start of harvest. But then Summer came, and it was full of sunshine, dry and warm through December, January, and February with warm days and some warm nights. Ripeness across all white varieties was quicker than average with a rather compressed Chardonnay harvest. Quality across all whites is excellent, with lots of flavour and concentration yet retaining perfume and drive.

WINE MAKING

Sourced from 26 years old vines on the eastern side of our Calgardup Brook Vineyard, the fruit was picked in the cool hours of the night, whole berry pressed and taken with some solids to barriques for extra texture and aromatic complexity. Fermented in French oak barriques and puncheons (10% new). Frequent lees stirring through the year to deliver a rich, powerful texture. After 6 months in barrels the wine was taken with full lees into tank for extended time on fine lees before bottling in December 2022.

VINEYARD

100% Calgardup Brook Vineyard. This vineyard lies just inland from the coast. Its soils are well drained sandy and schisty. The climate of this vineyard is strongly influenced by its immediate vicinity to the Indian Ocean.

DISTRICT OF ORIGIN 100% Margaret River

GRAPES 100% Sauvignon Blanc

ANALYSIS Alc 13%

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