

# McHENRY HOHNEN

## 2024 McHenry Hohnen Sauvignon Blanc

Lifted and tropical nose, with ripe loquat fruit, lychee and guava, intertwined with oatmeal elements, spice and roasted almond notes from barrel fermentation and extended time on fine lees. The palate is creamy and full flavoured, with a core of yellow fruit and a salty acid line to balance. A highly flavoured and textural wine combining varietal definition and intriguing barrel ferment complexities.

### VINTAGE REPORT

Vintage 2024 marked the earliest harvest on record at McHenry Hohnen. A wet winter followed by a warm, dry spring encouraged healthy vine growth and early fruit set. Summer brought consistently dry conditions and high diurnal temperatures, with veraison occurring 2–3 weeks ahead of average. An exceptional Marri blossom season meant no bird pressure, and with no disease risk, fruit quality was pristine. The white harvest was fast-paced and compressed, resulting in wines with expressive fruit, texture, and freshness—Chardonnay and Marsanne Roussanne stood out. Red varieties ripened swiftly, with the final pick on 18 March—nearly a month earlier than 2023. Yields were lower, but quality was high, delivering reds with structure, concentration, and vibrancy.

### WINE MAKING

Sourced from 30 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 of which 10% were new. Frequent lees stirring through maturation delivers a rich, powerful texture. After 8 months in barrels the wine was taken with full lees into tank for extended time on fine lees before bottling in December 2024.

### **VINEYARD**

100% Calgardup Brook Vineyard. 20km South of Margaret River in the Forest Grove parish and just 2 km from the Indian Ocean on the west. This site is blessed with free draining coastal soils which are a mix of limestone, granite, and coastal sands. These vines produce elegant and aromatic wines that are ethereal and mineral, with a distinctive salinity. The site cops the full front of the sea breeze from both Southern and Indian Oceans which translates into wines with a unique savoury aftertaste.

DISTRICT OF ORIGIN
100% Margaret River

**GRAPES** 

100% Sauvignon Blanc

ANALYSIS

Alc 13%



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