STELLA BELLA

2020 Cabernet Sauvignon



Stella Bella Cabernet Sauvignon is a blend of our five vineyards; capturing the unique personality of each site, creating the truest reflection of southern Margaret River Cabernet. A medium bodied wine with perfume, prettiness and elegance.

Appearance

Vibrant red.

Abundant aromas of...

Raspberry, cranberry and fresh plums spring from the glass in an alluring perfume, supported by delicate hints of violet and graphite.

Flavours

A medium bodied wine that is pretty, supple and salivating. Vibrant flavours of red currant and fresh cranberry are complimented by hints of satsuma plum and delicate notes of vanillin from French Oak. Focused, ripe tannins deliver length and a salivating finish.

Enjoyment

Roast Margaret River Arkady lamb rack with seasonal vegetables.

Wine	Specs
Blend	91% Cabernet 9% Malbec
Oak	30% New
Cellar	20+ years
Alcohol	14.0%
рН	3.58
Acidity	6.26

Place

Our Cabernet Sauvignon vines are planted on gravel soils know as Forest Grove gravelly loams. These ancient and unique soils that are specifically named after the Forest Grove area in Southern Margaret River. These soils drain exceptionally well to restrict vine vigour, allowing the fruit to ripen in the beautiful Margaret River sunshine and to cool in the refreshing afternoon sea breezes from the Southern and Indian Oceans. Stella Bella Cabernet is a blend of the best of our five Southern Margaret River vineyards ranging in vine age from 25-40 years old.

Vintage 2020

A dry and warm summer meant vintage 2020 started a month earlier. This warm weather in our southern vineyards provided perfect ripening conditions. Lower yields produced some exceptional flavours and intensely aromatic, punchy wines.

Winemaking

All of our Cabernet is harvested at optimum fruit ripeness to enhance the violet perfume and red and blue fruit character of southern Margaret River. The fruit is handled gently, with minimal maceration to ensure whole berries and a pseudo carbonic maceration. After cold soaking, we ferment at warm temperatures of approx. 28 degrees and press based on fruit aroma, extraction and our desired mouthfeel. Maturation in small format French oak barriques for up to 12 months, where the toast and forest is carefully selected based on its suitability for each vineyards fruit aroma and flavour profile.