

SAUVIGNON
BLANC
SEMILLON
2022



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RADIANT
AROMATIC



Cape Mentelle takes a non-interventionist approach towards this classic Margaret River blend allowing the region and varieties to speak with loud, clear voices, aiming to preserve fruit intensity and purity. The style accentuates the fresh, vibrant fruit characters of both varieties with the added complexity and palate weight offered through several months of aging on lees; the land and ocean vividly expressed.

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“Bright summer fruit flavours from the sauvignon blanc combine with generous texture from the semillon - refreshing and generous”

- Coralie Lewis, Cape Mentelle Winemaker

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TASTING NOTE

APPEARANCE

Pale straw colour with brilliant green edges.

NOSE

The intense aromas of pink grapefruit, lychee, guava and white nectarine are enhanced by a touch of jasmine flower, chamomile and fresh lime.

PALATE

On the palate flavours of lemon zest, passion fruit pips, citrus blossom and rockmelon with saline edges are displayed. The supple texture coupled with driving minerality create an elegant wine with a punchy citrus peel finish.

FOOD PAIRING

Delicious with crispy whiting accompanied by a soy and ginger dressing or a lemon and asparagus risotto. Or, simply enjoy with fresh goats cheese drizzled with honey.

CONSUMPTION NOTE

CELLARING

Drink from now until 2027.

CLOSURE

Screwcap.

BLEND

Sauvignon Blanc 85%, Semillon 15%.

ANALYSIS

13.7% alcohol, 6.21g/l total acidity, 3.19 pH

Suitable for vegans.

WINEMAKING NOTE

VINEYARD

The fruit was sourced from our cooler vineyard sites, Crossroads (52%) and Chapman Brook (41%), that are perfectly suited to both varieties. Vibrancy, varietal expression and site specific characteristics are crafted through careful canopy manipulation. The vineyard team is tasked with delivering pristine fruit to the winery with crunchy acidity and fresh aromatics. To achieve this, the fruit was harvested in the cool of the night capturing purity and elegance.

THE SEASON

A cold wet end to winter, which continued into early spring created a slow start to the growing season. La Nina conditions on the east coast of Australia meant the west coast experienced warmer than usual minimum and maximum temperatures, paired with lower than usual rainfall. Rainfall during early February provided a perfectly timed drink for the grapevines.

WINEMAKING

The fruit harvested during the cool of the night and early mornings was destemmed, crushed and rapidly pressed to capture vibrant fruit characters with bright acidity. The juice was either cold settled or underwent flotation. Low temperature fermentation was used with select yeast to accentuate fresh fruity varietal characteristics. The majority of batches were fermented in stainless steel tanks to dryness with individual lots resting on lees for two months. A small portion of the blend was fermented in seasoned French oak building texture. Once assembled, the final blend was minimally fined and filtered before being Estate bottled.