



# Pedestal

Pedestal is so named due to the elevation of the Margaret River vineyard we initially sourced fruit from to create these wines.

It is with our Pedestal range, now encompassing a number of vineyards from north to south, that we seek to uncover and express sub-regionality in this part of the world. In general terms, Northern Margaret River is better suited to red wines with its slightly warmer Indian Ocean influence whereas southern Margaret River is better suited to whites and the cooling influence of the Southern Ocean breeze.

Here we show images of Margaret River that are aromatic and vibrant, not heavily oaked. The concept of Pedestal is about raising the fruit expression above any winemaking construct.

# 2020 'Elevation' Chardonnay

#### THE VINTAGE:

Low rainfall and warm temperatures in spring resulted in a very early harvest. All varietals performed exceptionally well with the standout being Cabernet Sauvignon.

## THE WINEMAKING:

The fruit was hand-picked and whole-bunch pressed directly into 30% new French oak, 70% 1 year old French oak from a combination of forests. Juice naturally fermented in barrel with only 10% allowed to go through full malolactic fermentation.

### THE WINE:

Dominant aromas of barley sugar, citrus blossom and mineral – typical of the Gingin clone, with ample texture and a long, fine acidity.

Vineyard Various Year Planted 1998

Location Margaret River, WA

Vines per Hectare 1650
Irrigation Yes
Clone/s Various
Rootstock Own
Aspect Northern
Soils Various

Origin Margaret River, WA Variety Chardonnay Picking date March 2020 Sugar at picking 13.0 °Baume Alcohol 13.5% 3.25 Total acidity  $7.00\,\mathrm{g/L}$ Residual sugar 2.00 g/L **Bottled** March 2021

**Cellaring Potential** 

 $\begin{array}{lll} \mbox{Vegan} & \mbox{N/A} \\ \mbox{Vegetarian} & \mbox{N/A} \\ \mbox{Organic} & \mbox{N/A} \\ \mbox{Biodynamic} & \mbox{N/A} \\ \mbox{Allergens} & \mbox{Sulphites} \end{array}$ 

5+years