

CULLEN



MARGARET RIVER



## 2013 CULLEN SAUVIGNON BLANC SEMILLON

**WINEMAKER:** Vanya Cullen  
**REGION:** Margaret River, Western Australia  
**VARIETALS:** Sauvignon Blanc (71%), Semillon (29%)  
**MATURATION:** 87% matured for 5 months in French barriques (62% new)  
**ANALYSIS:** 12.5% alc/vol | TA: 7.2 g/L | pH: 3.05

### QUALITY, INTEGRITY, SUSTAINABILITY:

Diana Cullen will always be remembered as one of the Australian wine industry's most remarkable and adored women. She was responsible for making the Cullen wines from 1981 until 1989 when she handed the reins to her highly talented daughter, Vanya, Australia's Winemaker of the Year in 2000. The Cullen vineyard is organically farmed and dry-grown with an 'A' grade certification with the Biological Farmers Association.

### VINTAGE NOTES:

The fruit produced by all varieties in the vineyards of Cullen Wines in 2013 was exceptional. While yields were down, the quality of the harvest is looking even better than 2012 and that year was regarded as exceptional! Harvest started on the 6th February around the new moon and flower days, rather than the Full moon and fruit days as in previous vintages.

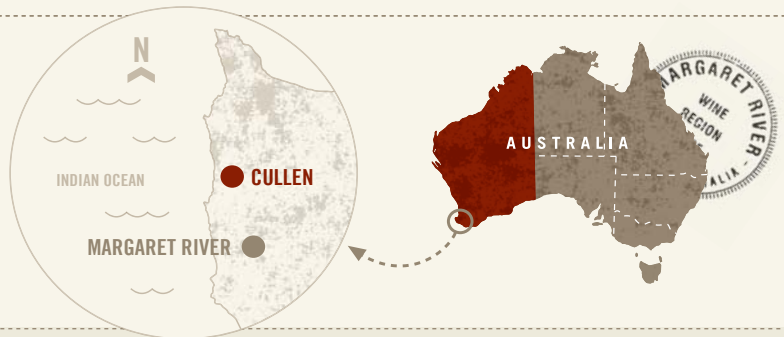
### TASTING NOTES:

Delightful combination of fresh cut grass, spicy and vanillin oak aromas supported by tropical notes. The palate is deep and rich with vibrant fruit lifted by mineral flavors. Very complex already with lovely Chilean guava notes and toasty characteristics. A great example of this wine style.

**CRITICAL ACCLAIM:** 97 pts James Halliday's Australian Wine Companion, 92 pts Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar

### ABOUT CULLEN:

A founding winery of Margaret River, Cullen was established in 1971 by pioneering winemakers Kevin and Diana Cullen. In redefining the style of Australian Cabernet Sauvignon produced in the 1970s, the fledgling estate caught the attention of the nation. Since then, an unrelenting commitment to quality and site expression has positioned Cullen as one of Australia's greatest estates - and Margaret River as one of the nation's premier wine-producing regions. The mature, biodynamically-farmed vineyards produce elegant, age-worthy wines that draw worldwide critical acclaim, including what is regarded by many as the country's definitive Bordeaux blend.



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