

2018 CULLEN

CABERNET SAUVIGNON MERLOT



WINEMAKER: Vanya Cullen
REGION: Margaret River, Western Australia
VARIETALS: Cabernet Sauvignon (62%), Merlot (37%), Cabernet Franc (1%)
MATURATION: 6 months in 100% French oak (25% new)
ALCOHOL: 13.5% alc/vol

QUALITY, INTEGRITY, SUSTAINABILITY: The Cullen vineyard and winery is carbon neutral, biodynamically farmed and dry-grown with an 'A' grade certification from the Biological Farmers Association.

WINEMAKING: The grapes were hand harvested between the 23rd of February and the 16th of March. Primary fermentation took an average 12 days with total skin contact time about 22 days. The wine was then matured in French oak barrels (25% new) for 6 months.

TASTING NOTES: This outstanding, medium bodied Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot blend from the famed 2018 vintage displays densely flavored ripe dark fruits, complemented by discrete fine-grained tannins.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: Not yet reviewed.

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, integrity, and biodynamics has positioned Cullen as one of Australia's finest estates. Vanya Cullen, the founders' daughter, chief winemaker for more than 30 years, and 2019 Winemaker of the Year, is one of the country's trailblazers not only in biodynamics but also by establishing Australia's first certified carbon neutral winery.

