

2017 CULLEN RED MOON



WINEMAKER:	Vanya Cullen
REGION:	Margaret River, Western Australia
VARIETALS:	Malbec (57%), Petit Verdot (37%), Merlot (6%)
MATURATION:	9 months in French Oak (10% new)
ALCOHOL:	12.0% 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. Grapes are the only ingredients in Cullen wines.

VINTAGE NOTES: The 2017 vintage was challenging in both the vineyard and winery due to its length, however all that work delivered great rewards! Spanning three months, starting in early February with the Cullen Chardonnay and finishing with the Mangan Vineyard Malbec and Petit Verdot, those dates coinciding with the full moon and flower days on the 11th and 12th of April.

TASTING NOTES: A fresh and crisp red wine with vibrant aromas of plum and cherries with lifted floral notes. The palate is light on its feet and feels alive with dark cherries, blueberries and savory notes on the finish.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 95 pts Halliday Wine Companion, 92 pts JamesSuckling.com

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.

