

2016 CULLEN
EPHRAIM CLARKE
SAUVIGNON BLANC SEMILLON
Review Summary



95 pts “What a wine! Preserved lemons, vanilla, apple pastry, flint and dried citrus. Phenolic and creamy, this weaves its way through layers of dried stone fruit, highlighted by linear acidity. Long and even chew on the finish.”

Nick Stock
JamesSuckling.com
June 26, 2019

94 pts “The barrel-fermented 2016 Ephraim Clarke Sauvignon Blanc Semillon is a 76-24 blend of the two varieties, favoring Sauvignon Blanc. This wine epitomizes the class and elegance achievable with these varieties within Margaret River. The oak adds subtle notes of toasted grain and nuts, the citrusy fruit is rounded and discrete rather than glaringly loud and the long finish leaves behind a silky longing for another sip. A really fine effort.”

Joe Czerwinski
Robert Parker Wine Advocate
December 2017

93 pts “Light, bright yellow. Smoky, oak-spiced aromas of lemon curd, pear nectar and honey take on a floral nuance as the wine opens up. Sappy, penetrating orchard and citrus fruit flavors show fine detail and building succulent herb, vanilla and smoky mineral accents. Finishes impressively long and smooth, leaving echoing pear and floral notes behind.”

Josh Raynolds
Vinous
July 2021

90 pts “This wine is a complex—and a tad woody—combo of lemon verbena, pineapple cake, wet hay and lavender soap. Slightly slippery in texture and sitting firmly in the medium body spectrum, the integrated herbal and wet stone flavors finish with lick of toast and a salty tang.”

Christina Pickard
Wine Enthusiast
December 2018



90 pts “Plump and juicy, offering a spicy mix of apricot and pear flavors, with overtones of roasted fennel and vanilla bean. Generous and refreshing on the long finish.”

MaryAnn Worobiec
Wine Spectator
December 31, 2017