

2018 CULLEN RED MOON



WINEMAKER: Vanya Cullen
REGION: Margaret River, Western Australia
VARIETALS: Malbec (61%), Petit Verdot (39%)
MATURATION: 5 months in French Oak (57% new)
ALCOHOL: 13.0% 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: 2018 produced small yields of powerful, elegant and balanced fruit. The primary fermentation took an average 12 days. Skin contact time averaged 22 days. The wine was then matured in French oak for 15 months with 50% being new barrels. All Cullen wines are certified biodynamic with no additions.

TASTING NOTES: A fresh and crisp red wine with vibrant aromas of plum and pomegranate and mulberry notes. The palate has great fruit intensity and is beautifully balanced. Malbec offers up the plushness and Petit Verdot drives the minerality and firm tannin structure.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 94 pts Halliday Wine Companion, 91 pts Vinous, 89 pts Wine Spectator

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.

