

2019 CULLEN

DANCING IN THE SUN



WINEMAKER: Vanya Cullen
REGION: Margaret River, Western Australia
VARIETALS: Semillon (54%), Sauvignon Blanc (38%), Verdelho (8%)
MATURATION: Stainless Steel
ALCOHOL: 13.0% alc/vol | 4.5 g/L TA | 3.55 pH

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: 2019 was another great vintage in the Margaret River region. Winter was met with cold and wet conditions. Rainfall in June and July was lower than average, but significant rainfall in August filled dams on the Estate. The mild early spring conditions delayed flowering by approximately 10 days over much of the vineyard, before the weather improved significantly and warm blue sky days were once again common place. A significant 52mm of rain in late January set up the unirrigated vineyards for a perfect final ripening.

TASTING NOTES: A lovely perfumed bouquet filled with flowers, peaches and a hint of musk. The palate is alive with citrus fruits, pomegranate and just a touch of mint. A rich, soft and supple wine with great balance.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: Not yet rated. 2018 vintage: 92 pts/Best Buy Wine & Spirits

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.

