

2021 CULLEN

KEVIN JOHN CHARDONNAY

CULLEN WINES

WILYARRUP MARGARET RIVER



WINEMAKER: Vanya Cullen
REGION: Margaret River, Western Australia
VARIETALS: Chardonnay
MATURATION: 8 months in new oak (35% new)
ALCOHOL: 13.0% alc/vol

TRIBUTE: Kevin Cullen was a passionate believer in Margaret River's potential to become one of the world's great regions for Chardonnay, and in 2006, Vanya named the Cullen Chardonnay after him. The 2021 Kevin John is another landmark in the journey of finding the holy grail of great chardonnay with biodynamics.

WINEMAKING: The 2021 Kevin John is 100% Cullen Vineyard Chardonnay, harvested across three weeks, including fruit and flower days, and fermented naturally in biodynamic barrels, concrete eggs and amphorae. This wine matured in 35% new puncheons for 8 months before bottling without fining or filtration.

TASTING NOTES: Light straw and gold in the glass, with green tinges. Mineral aromas of white flower, mandarin, curry leaf, and nutmeg. On the palate, concentrated citrus including lemon, lime, and orange. A lengthy palate includes gunpowder and earth, elevating this wine to a beautiful, complex Chardonnay heaven, where it is now poised to open its song to the world and tell its story to all who partake.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 97 pts Robert Parker Wine Advocate, 97 pts Vinous, 97 pts Halliday Wine Companion

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 in the 1970s, the fledgling estate caught the attention of the nation. Since then, an unrelenting commitment to quality, integrity, and biodynamics positions Cullen as one of Australia's finest estates. Vanya Cullen, the founders' daughter and chief winemaker for more than 30 years, is one of the country's trailblazers not only in biodynamics but also with Australia's first certified carbon neutral winery. She's won numerous awards, including Halliday Wine Companion's "Viticulturist of the Year" 2022, and was awarded the Order of Australia by King Charles III for her service to viticulture and oenology in 2023.

