

2022 CULLEN

KEVIN JOHN CHARDONNAY



WINEMAKER: Vanya Cullen
REGION: Margaret River, Western Australia
VARIETALS: Chardonnay
MATURATION: 6 months in new oak (50% new)
ALCOHOL: 13.5% 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: 2022 vintage grew wines of immense perfume and texture. The cooler season and low yields ensured that the health of the vines and hence the fruit quality. Exceptionally good for chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, and of course Cabernet Sauvignon.

TASTING NOTES: Crunchy vibrant mineral acidity which keeps the flavours, lingering on and on with a back palate of lemon sherbet kicking in to enliven the experience. Dried pear, orange blossom, balance and poise, what a great symphony of flavours coming together all at once on the taste buds.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 97+ pts Robert Parker Wine Advocate, 96 pts/#37 Top 100 Australian Wines of 2023 JamesSuckling.com, 96 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.

