

2024 CULLEN

DANCING IN THE SUN



WINEMAKER: Vanya Cullen
REGION: Margaret River, Western Australia
VARIETALS: Sauvignon Blanc (53%), Semillon (28%), Chenin (14%), Chardonnay (4%), Verdelho (1%)
MATURATION: Stainless Steel
ALCOHOL: 12.8% 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: 2024 vintage was the hottest, driest and earliest harvest on record. Rainfall turned off like a tap at the end of September 2023, with nominally no rain until the season broke in May 2024. Unseasonable warmth all through the growing season combined with heatwaves in January meant harvest started early and was over extremely quickly.

TASTING NOTES: A burst of fresh ripe fruit on the nose; canteloupe, pink lady apples and citrus blossom. On the palate, tightly structured phenolics and acidity hold together fresh citrus and tropical fruit notes; lemon, pink grapefruit, lychee and apples. Elegant and fresh in style, with a lean and persistent finish.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: Not yet rated. 2020 vintage: 92 pts Wine & Spirits, 92 pts Robert Parker Wine Advocate, 92 pts JamesSuckling.com

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.

