

SEMILLON SAUVIGNON BLANC

tasting notes

GRAPE VARIETY 50% Semillon, 48% Sauvignon Blanc, 2% Chardonnay

VINTAGE 2012

OAK MATURATION 5% in 1-3 year old French Barriques

TYPICAL ANALYSIS 13.0% Alc/Vol

RELEASE DATE September 2012

PEAK DRINKING Drink now

FOOD MATCHES

A range of light dining cuisine, an everyday wine for all occasions

COLOUR

Green / straw

AROMA

Initial lifted herbaceous characters of pea pod, grass, lemon thyme and lime, with underlying passionfruit, blackcurrant and lychee characters. There is also a light nutty character from a small percentage of barrel fermentation.

PALATE

Full and long with soft textured palate and balanced acidity. Smoky pea pod along with fresh grass and thyme are balanced by passionfruit and citrus characters with a long herbaceous finish.

winemaker comments

VITICULTURE

Fruit is sourced from neighbouring properties in the northern Yallingup sub-region of Margaret River. Direct input from Forester's viticulturist ensures well balanced canopies and crops are grown for the ripe style desired. The 2012 vintage was another classic year for white grapes in Margaret River allowing plenty of time during the warm month of February to ripen the fruit to our specification.

WINEMAKING

Modern white winemaking techniques are employed in the production of the Semillon Sauvignon Blanc, with temperature control considered critical from the moment the fruit reaches the winery. The fruit is destemmed and crushed, then must chilled and pressed off skins in a very short space of time. It is allowed to cold settle for 48-72 hours before being racked in a clarified state to a fermentation tank. A range of specially selected yeasts are employed on different parcels of fruit and the resulting dry tanks of wine are carefully blended to maintain the Forester Style. A small portion of barrel fermented Semillon and Sauvignon Blanc has been used for the first time to add texture and complexity.

STORAGE / BOTTLING

Bottled under screwcap into a burgundy bottle in early July 2012.



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