



ROBERT OATLEY

The Pennant

HAND SELECTED LIMITED RELEASE

Competitive success is rewarded in a myriad of ways. For wine it may be a gold medal, in sport, a pennant. Both indicate excellence.

Striving for excellence in wine growing strikes a balance between the natural attributes of the land and uncomplicated winemaking.

Sometimes the greatest effort is required to strive for simplicity, with detailed attention in the vineyard, an uncompromising approach to fruit selection, uncomplicated winemaking and naturally, the benefits of a great season.

The greatest prize is when this is reflected in the glass.

Robert Oatley AO BEM (1928-2016)

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2018 Margaret River Cabernet Sauvignon

WINEMAKER LARRY CHERUBINO'S NOTES

We are blessed with a number of outstanding Cabernet vineyards to create this special barrel selection, with this vintage hailing from Wilyabrup in the heartland of Margaret River. Hand selected by individual bunch, the grapes run down an individual berry sorting table, into small vessels to ferment on skins for up to six weeks. Aged fifteen months in tight grained low toast new and one year old French oak, prior to rigorous barrel selection to compile this final blend.

Fragrant. Layered dark berries. Long smooth tannins. Elegant.

STATISTICS:

Vineyard Location: Wilyabrup
Clone: Predominantly Houghton
Alc/vol: 14%
TA: 6.42
pH: 3.49
Cellar: 12 to 15 years

MAJOR ACCOLADES:

Vintage 2018: GOLD; 95pts James Halliday Wine Companion – Erin Larkin; 93pts Josh Raynolds

Vintage 2017: 96pts Ray Jordan; 94pts James Halliday Wine Companion; 94pts Andrew Caillard; 93pts Huon Hooke The Real Review; 92pts Angus Hughson Vinous

Vintage 2013: 94pts James Halliday Wine Companion; 91pts Huon Hooke The Real Review

