

# ROBERT OATLEY

# Winemaker's Reserve

#### **FOUNDER'S NOTE**

In the early 1990's I released Australia's first "GSM" – certainly not the first time these three varieties had been blended but definitely the first to be marketed under the GSM acronym. I'm very proud of the success we enjoyed with that and subsequent releases and here we present our latest version, also from McLaren Vale and delivering all the smooth rounded flavours of this uniquely Australian style of red.

ROBERT OATLEY, FOUNDER R. D. (



#### ROBERT OATLEY WINEMAKER'S RESERVE

Our Winemaker's Reserve range allows the Robert Oatley winemaking team to select the parcels of grapes that best exemplify the grape varieties and region that we believe represent great Australian wine styles. Enjoy them now or after a few years in your cellar.

# **MARGARET RIVER CHARDONNAY 2017**

#### **REGION NOTES: MARGARET RIVER WESTERN AUSTRALIA**

Climatically, Australia's most reliable wine region, not to mention one of its best known, Margaret River has proven to be the ideal home for Cabernet Sauvignon, Chardonnay and Sauvignon Blanc, producing distinctive wines of powerful structure and finesse.

# **WINEMAKING NOTES**

Premium parcels of grapes were specially selected from a range of sites across the Margaret River region, from Karridale in the south through to Wilyabrup in the north, to create a well balanced, medium weight style in the citrus mould. Matured for a short time in a variety of French oak barriques, twenty per cent new. We deliberately avoided the traditional secondary malolactic fermentation in order to retain the wine's long fine acidity. Enjoy now to 2021.

### **TASTING NOTE**

A bright, mid-weight, white peach-accented, gently oaked wine grown on selected sites across Australia's highest performing Chardonnay region.

## **TECHNICAL NOTES**

Alc/vol: 12.9% | pH: 3.54 g/L | RS: 2.20 g/L TA: 6.38 g/L | CLOSURE: Stelvin Lux+

#### MAJOR ACCOLADES FOR THIS VINTAGE

90pts James Halliday Chardonnay Challenge 2017

# MAJOR ACCOLADES FOR RECENT VINTAGES

GOLD International Wine Challenge 2017 (v2015) 95pts & VALUE Award James Halliday Wine Companion (v2015)



JAMES HALLIDAY - AUSTRALIAN WINE COMPANION