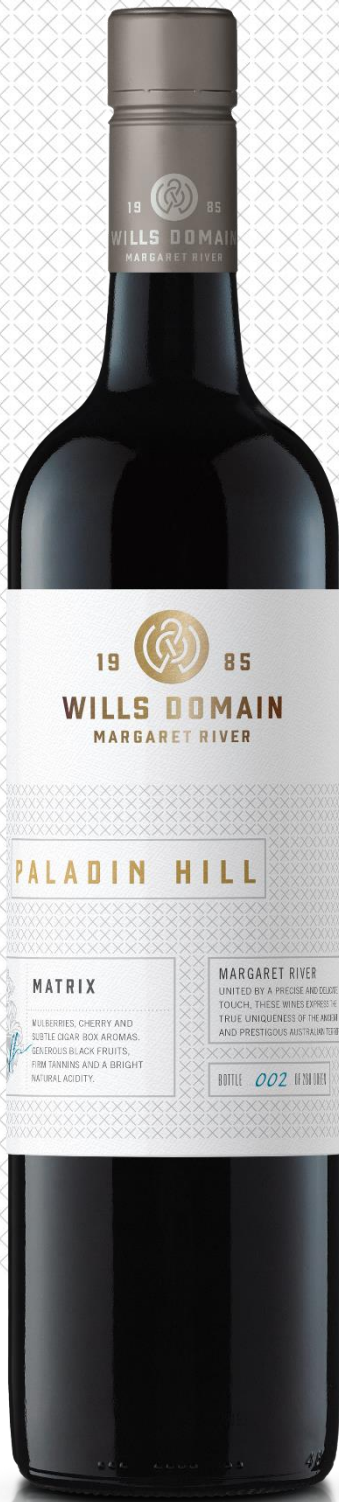


PALADIN HILL



MATRIX

MARGARET RIVER | 2020

COLOUR Vibrant purple

NOSE Perfumed, with lifted blackcurrants, blueberry, lavender, and rosemary

PALATE Savoury, with a big chewy palate and soft lingering tannins, which are slightly chalky. The French oak is stylish, subtle, and beautifully integrated.

WINEMAKING This Cabernet blend is sourced from the Wills Domain vineyard in Yallingup. The grapes were gently picked and destemmed in the cool of the morning while the fruit was cold, soaked in fermenters and allowed to warm naturally before being inoculated with a cultured yeast strain. Fermentation was cool and slow, and when dry, was air bag pressed to barrel where malolactic fermentation was conducted in barrel. Following barrel maturation, the wine was then kept in cool cellaring conditions for eighteen months before being blended, filtered, and bottled.

FOOD PAIRING Roasted Chateaubriand with mushroom jus and pommes puree

VINTAGE NOTES The earlier harvests in Margaret River were due to the warm dry winter of 2019, and the windy conditions during flowering. Consequently, the yields were very low, with smaller than average berry size. This resulted in wines that tended to be higher in alcohols, with, in general, more generosity and complexity. The growing season was disease free without any major rainfall events during the ripening period, allowing the fruit to ripen evenly during a warm to hot spring and autumn.

QUICK NOTES:

VINTAGE: 2020

WINEMAKERS: Richard Rowe

GRAPE VARIETY:

2020 Cabernet 63%

2020 Malbec 22.2%

2021 Petit Verdot 7.4%

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BOTTLED: September 2021

GROWING AREA: Margaret River

ALC %/VOL: 13.9% v/v

TITRATABLE ACIDITY:

5.57 g/l

PH: 3.44%

CELLAR POTENTIAL:

Optimum drinking 2026, best before 2035.

OAK: French

MATURATION: 18 months

