



## **FISHBONE BLUE SHIRAZ CABERNET**

### **2022 GEOGRAPHE WA**

Fishbone is a boutique family run and owned vineyard purchased by the Sorgiovanni family in 1999. Located in the world-renowned Margaret River wine region in Wilyabrup, the property features gentle sloping topography bounded by the Wilyabrup Brook in the centre of Margaret River's 'golden triangle'. The 165-acre property, which was originally a dairy farm, includes some traditional varieties such as Cabernet and Chardonnay, and some lesser known alternatives such as Tempranillo, Malbec, Vermentino and Pinot Noir.

#### **Tasting Notes**

Dark blood red to the rim. Intense dark berry fruits, subtle tobacco, liquorice and pepper complexity. Dry, full bodied, smooth tannins and soft acid supports a great intensity of dark berry fruits with a natural sweet ripe fruit finish.

#### **Winemaking**

This dry red wine is a cool climate Shiraz, picked at full ripeness and the wine shows great colour intensity with full Shiraz flavours of blackberries and subtle peppery spices on the palate. The wine then underwent 12 month maturation in French and American oak.

#### **Viticulture Notes**

A bumper year for Marri tree blossoming kept the birds at bay. Summer arrived early and was fine and warm with a few very hot periods. Classic Geographe weather of crisp,

clear days and cold nights prevailed through mid to late April to end the harvest. Reds ripened earlier than usual, the latter harvest punctuated by some minor rain events.

#### **Quick Notes**

Vintage: 2022  
Grape Variety: 52% Shiraz,  
48% Cabernet Sauvignon  
Bottled: 22nd May 2023  
Growing Area: Western Australia  
Vineyard: O'Neill's and Harvey  
Alc %/Vol: 14.5%  
PH: 3.5  
Residual sugar: 1.0g/L  
Oak: French oak and  
American oak  
Cellar Potential: A good decade  
with proper cellaring

