

HAY SHED HILL 'White Label' NEBBIOLO 2016

The Hay Shed Hill White Label wines highlight great grape varieties of the world grown in the distinctively Australian setting of Margaret River.

The classic grape of the Piedmont region of Italy, the variety of the renowned wines of Barolo and Barbaresco now showcased in the finest part of Margaret River.

VINTAGE: What a sweet vintage for Margaret River grape growers!

Following a good winter was a mild and calm spring with generally good weather during the crucial flowering period, that is the stage at which the flowers are fertilized and begin to form individual grape berries. This stage can often be quite wild and stormy leading to significant loss of fruit.

The beginning of summer was mild, almost perfect growing conditions. There was a small rain event in January which may have caused consternation had it continued but it was mercifully brief leading to several months of virtually rain free weather.

March was mild, with perhaps only three days of intense heat, ideal conditions for the development of the red grapes, with harvesting beginning middle of March through to the middle of April. Good colours, ripe aromas and flavours and good structural tannins across all red varieties.

Another great vintage for Margaret River.

COLOUR: Nebbiolo is famous for its light colour depth with hues more in the tan to orange spectrum than the bright red, but with a surprisingly rich and textural palate of great complexity, often with a substantial tannin profile.

NOSE: Classic tar and tobacco characters with violet scents.

PALATE: In common with this variety in its homeland this wine is not overtly fruity as is common with most Australian red wine but is savoury, earthy and full of complex mouthfeel. Medium bodied it is light yeas away from the norm of Australian red wine. This is a wine for true wine lovers that are fascinated by the distinctive personality of the great classic grape varieties.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

Vintage: 2016 Growing Region: Margaret River

Variety: Nebbiolo 100% | Alcohol: 14.5% Alc Vol.