

HAY SHED HILL BLOCK 1 SEMILLON SAUVIGNON BLANC

REVIEWS BY VINTAGE | 2017 - 2014



VINTAGE 2017

94 Points

| Ray Jordan's Top 100 Whites

This is a classy Margaret River blend where oak plays a vital role. The fruit comes from one of the oldest vineyards in the region and in this case was picked at low baume, so the alcohol is low. It's had 11 months in oak after fermentation, but no lees stirring.

95 Points

| James Halliday Wine Companion 2020

Block 1 was planted in the early '70s on a high ridge overlooking the Wilyabrup Valley. Has developed full straw-green colour, reflecting the low yields and subtle use of oak. The impact on the mouth is substantial, the wine likely to become even more complex in the manner of many SSBs.

VINTAGE 2016

97 Points

| James Halliday Wine Companion

Pale straw-green; has more intensity and citrusy acidity than the '15 at this stage, the latter busy morphing from a newborn to adolescent. The '16 is a superb young Block 1 with greatness now, or in five or 15 years' time. Drink to 2028

VINTAGE 2015

96 Points

| James Halliday Wine Companion
Special value for money rosette

The progression of Margaret River chardonnay continues unabated. Exceptionally fine and poised, it is laden with white peach, nectarine and a hint of complex leesy oak. Superbly fine and poised, long and energetic.

VINTAGE 2014

95 Points

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★★★★★ Hay Shed Hill

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REVIEWS BY VINTAGE | 2013 - 2012



VINTAGE 2013

97 Points | James Halliday Wine Companion

Bright, light straw-green; an outstanding vintage for this wine, with complexity and intensity in a whirling ball of flavours. Time has stood still since I first tasted in March '14. Reviewed in October 2017.

96 Points | James Halliday Wine Companion

This is in the heart of the grand complexity of Margaret River chardonnay style, with exceptional depth of flavour and structure amplified by the old vines and the Gingin clone; white peach, nectarine and fig fruit and creamy cashew notes are balanced by crisp, firm acidity.

Silver Medal | Qantas Wine Show WA 2014

Four Stars | Winestate Best of the West Tasting 2014

VINTAGE 2012

95 Points | James Halliday Wine Companion 2018

44 yo dry-grown vines, the two components picked, pressed and co-fermented, the wine matured in used French Barriques. A fresh, positively juicy, mouthfeel to stone and tropical fruit flavours. Delicious.

Four 1/2 stars | Winestate 'Best of the West' Tasting 2014

95 Points | Ray Jordan Top 100 Australian Whites
December 2013

Comes from some of the oldest semillon and sauvignon blanc vines in Margaret River. Has perhaps the most distinctive semillon character of any of these wines, with a fine penetrating line of citrus and spice dominating the nose. The palate is augmented with a little oad while remarkable. A super wine for now or a little further cellaring.

94 Points | Tyson Stelzer WBM Magazine

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REVIEWS BY VINTAGE | 2011 -2009



VINTAGE 2011

96 Points | James Halliday Wine Companion

Made from the grapes ex some of the oldest vines (dry grown) of semillon and sauvignon blanc in Margaret River with some barrel ferment. It is a wine of startling intensity and length, the oak swept away by the tsunami of citrus, grass and snow pea flavours; a long, bone-dry finish.

VINTAGE 2010

96 Points & the best SSB blend | Nick Stock.

Good Food & Wine Guide 2012

A single-site expression that brings a heightened intensity and purity to the classic dry Margaret River white style: nettle and herbs, lemon citrus, and some hints of tropical fruits too. The palate's scintillating - really bristling with crisp citrus flavour, bright crunchy acidity and a long, true and unwavering finish. Brilliant length and precision here; the merest hint of nutty oak flavour and subtle textural enhancement is a winemaking triumph!

94 Points | James Halliday

93 Points | Ray Jordan

VINTAGE 2009

96 Points | James Halliday Wine Companion
October 2017

Bright, light straw-green; in tip-top racing form, with great drive to the lemongrass and Meyer lemon flavours, minerally acidity guaranteeing the continuing long-term future of this wine. Drink to 2024

94 Points | James Halliday Wine Companion 2011

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