

HAY SHED HILL WINES REVIEWS

JANUARY 2019



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HAY SHED HILL BLOCK 2 CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2014

HALLIDAY WINE COMPANION

Lays it all out there from the first sip - a wine of uncompromising power and style, owing as much to the viticulturist as the winemaker (if there are indeed two). It does, however, do something unusual, with juicy cassis fruit becoming more obvious on continued retastings, tannins less so - normally it's vice versa.



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HAY SHED HILL CHARDONNAY 2017

HALLIDAY WINE COMPANION JAN 19

Estate-grown, fermented and matured for 11 months in French barriques. It is bright and lively, with a mix of grapefruit, melon white peach and crisp acidity. Its key asset is its balance, the length also very good.



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HAY SHED HILL MORRISON'S GIFT 2016

HALLIDAY WINE COMPANION JAN 19

A full-on blend of 40% cabernet sauvignon, 28% merlot, 20% malbec, 10% cabernet franc and 2% petit verdot. The Morrison family developed and extended the vineyard before selling it to the present owners in '06. The blend of plum, blackcurrant and mulberry fits neatly into a supple leather glove of French oak and supple tannins. Excellent value.



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HAY SHED HILL CABERNET SAUVIGNON

HALLIDAY WINE COMPANION JAN 19

You might be tempted to guess this comes from the southern part of Margaret River thanks to its slightly austere elegance rather than the warm generosity of Wilyabrup, its true birthplace - none of which is intended to be the least bit critical of the balance and length of this medium-bodied blackcurrant, cedar and bay leaf aromas and flavours.

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HAY SHED HILL
CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016
THE WINE ENTHUSIAST USA

This is a charmer of a wine, with a charismatic new-oak tone and a perfectly ripe fruit aroma. The palate is saturated in a ripe black-fruit character and a toasty oak tone. The glossy palate-coating character is nicely defined by the scintillating acidity and gentle but furrowing tannins that creep well into the lingering finish of slate and black currant.



RATING

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HAY SHED HILL
MORRISON'S GIFT 2016
THE WINE ENTHUSIAST USA

Hay Shed Hill 2016 Morrison's Gift (Margaret River). Dark, brooding and a reductive on the nose, this wine needs time in the glass to open. It's teeming with complex layers of black currant, prune, truffle and pencil shaving. Grainy tannins and zesty acidity artfully frame the engagingly dense palate. The finish feels a bit foursquare thanks to the powerful structure, but this persistently flavorful wine will nicely compliment hearty fare.



RATING

90

HAY SHED HILL
CHARDONNAY 2017
THE WINE ENTHUSIAST USA

Unusually brooding and bold on the nose for a white wine, this medium-bodied wine has oodles of concentration and aromatic intensity. The palate is brilliantly focused and structured with vivid acidity. Notes of bread, yeast and stone fruit dominate the flavors, with a graceful touch of toast that offers elegance and length. It seems too young to be approached now and it needs time to settle down in the bottle.