



2014 STREICKER SAUVIGNON BLANC SEMILLON

Winemaking: The fruit for our Bridgelands Sauvignon Blanc Semillon is selected from the best blocks of our Bridelands vineyard in Southern Margaret River. The fruit is handpicked, cold-crushed and pressed to retain freshness and cultivate texture and structure. The juice is settled cold and racked after 2 days, harvesting only the lightest and most delicate grape solids to further aid in textural and aromatic development. The juice is barrel fermented in 33% new, 33% 2nd fill and 33% 3rd fill French oak barriques. The wine is sulphured pre-malolactic fermentation, in order to further preserve fresh fruit aromatics and pure acidity. It is then aged in oak for 9 months and battonaged every two weeks to develop texture and additional palate complexity, after which the wine is removed from barrel, clarified and bottled.

Vintage: The Margaret River Wine Region has been blessed with eight great growing seasons in a row. Vintage 2014 started off with some late, heavy rainfall in September and two minor hail events in October. However from here on, there weren't any significant weather events until a heat spike the week prior to Christmas. The entire flowering period occurred in warm, mild conditions resulting in good fruit-set across all varieties. Vintage conditions were ideal for ripening all varieties with little or no disease present and no rainfall pressures.

Aroma: Orange blossom and wet slate hints on top of a rich core of freshly cut pear, gooseberry and snow pea.

Palate: Enters crisp and clean with layers of minerality and floral aromatics leading to a delicate palate with crunchy natural acid and French oak weight. The finish is long and refreshing with hints of vanilla pod, currents and graphite.

Cellaring: This is a fresh drink now style, but can be aged for up to 10 years for added complexity.

Alcohol: 12.8%

Accolades: 95pts, Special Value Star - James Halliday's 2017 Wine Companion
Silver - Melbourne International Wine Competition
Silver - Sydney Royal Wine Show

