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MARGARET RIVER

CABERNET  
SAUVIGNON  
2012



*“2012 continues the extraordinary run of outstanding vintages in Margaret River.”*

- Peter Gambetta, Winemaker

**vintage conditions**

The 2012 vintage in Margaret River was outstanding. Warm, dry conditions prevailed throughout the growing season producing Cabernet Sauvignon grapes of deep colour, rich full cassis berry flavours and ripe mature tannins. Harvest commenced 2 to 3 weeks earlier than average and was completed without stress to the grapes, growers and winemaker.

**tasting comments**

The wine is at full depth with a bold crimson red colour and purple tints with the nose giving excellent fruit intensity showing cassis, vibrancy flowing through into evocative aromas of forest-floor. On the palate, the wine opens with a lively intense blackberry compote, progressing into the complex sumptuousness of dark chocolate characters and finishing with stylish tannins that continue the experience long after the wine has left your mouth! Enjoy this wine now or with careful cellaring through to 2022. Great with Angus beef topped with garlic marron, Steak & Lake as it's known in Margaret River.

**terroir/site**

The grapes for this wine are grown on a small selection of sites, most being around the Margaret River's flagship Wilyabrup sub-region close to the Indian Ocean.

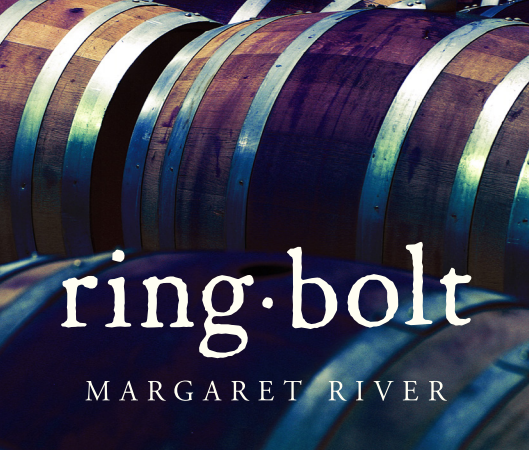
The sandy or laterite gravel soils both restrict vine yields. Although the vineyards generally run north-south it is the variances between these premium vineyard sites and selective blending that provides Ringbolt with much of its complexity.

**technical information**

**Variety:** Cabernet Sauvignon  
**Vintage:** 2012  
**Region:** Margaret River  
**Harvested:** March/April 2012  
**Oak:** Matured for 9 months in French oak Hogsheads & Barriques (70%, 10% new oak), American oak Hogsheads (30% 21% new oak).  
**Alc/Vol:** 14.0%  
**Total Acid:** 6.2  
**pH (units)** 3.50

Suitable for vegans and vegetarians.





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### *Gold Medal*

2014 Melbourne Wine Show



### *Gold Medal*

2014 Brisbane Wine Show

"The grapes come from the Wilyabrup district, one of the foremost in Margaret River for cabernet. It is only medium-bodied, but has purity, intensity and precise varietal fruit with a mix of redcurrant and blackcurrant flavours enhanced by silky, yet persistent, tannins."

#### **95 POINTS**

*James Halliday, James Halliday Australian Wine Companion, 2015 edition*

"The 2012 vintage of this consistently good red is full-bodied, smooth and succulent, with prominent flavours of black currant and cherry. The telltale hint of mint, classic to Australia's relatively cool western Margaret River region, is here, too, as is an intriguing whisper of mossy earth. Medium-rare steak would be perfect; \$21.99 in B.C., \$24.99 in Nova Scotia."

#### **90 POINTS**

*Beppi Crosariol, The Globe and Mail*