

2019 WHIMWOOD CHARDONNAY

A slight departure from our usual style, this wine has more racey citrus elements than seen in previous wines. The fruit was again handpicked, although about 7 days earlier than other years, and delivered to the winery in pristine condition to begin its journey to become wine. Pressed straight to 33% new French oak with the remaining 67% second and 3rd use French oak, the juice slowly commenced a natural Fermentation. The wine remained in these barrels to mature for 10 months then racked to tank for bottling.

Complex bouquet of lightly toasted nuts and lemon rind with a hint of brioche. Intense flavours of Lemon curd and creamy vanilla oak. A wine of great length with impeccable balance.

AWARDS

gold - 2021 Winewise Small Vigneron Awards

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silver - 2020 Wine Show of WA

silver - 2020 Perth Royal Wine Show

bronze - 2020 Western Australian Boutique Wine Show

bronze - 2020 Western Australian Single Vineyard Wine Show

bronze - 2020 Blackwood Valley Wine Show

REVIEWS

2021 November - Winewise Small Vigneron Awards, Canberra ★★★★★☆

"The lively white peach nose carries suggestions of oak and barrel ferment funkiness. A pleasant firmness balances the long creamy palate."

Ray Jordan 2021 Wine Guide - 94/100

"Another very good wine from this Blackwood producer. Complex aromas of stone fruit and cereal with a clotted cream character. The palate is layered and textured with rich, creamy fruit flavours balanced with a mineral core. Long, persistent finish. A promising wine from this excellent little producer."

2021 April - Winewise Championships, Canberra ★★★★★

"The intense white peach varietal character is supported by oak and lees complexity. A fresh, long, textural chardonnay nearing its peak."

2020 October - Winewise Championships, Canberra ★★★★★☆

"Whimwood Estate is clearly on top of the chardonnay game. Here's another vintage with the trademark funky complexity and deft oak handling. This is a fresh, well crafted wine that can only improve in bottle."

DRINK BY

drink now or cellared up to 2026

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TASTING NOTES

WINEMAKER - BERNIE STANLAKE
ALCOHOL - 13.4%
HARVEST DATE - 14 FEBRUARY 2019
FRENCH OAK, SINGLE FOREST
12 MONTHS ON LEES