

LUMINOSA

2016 Chardonnay



Stella Bella Luminosa Chardonnay is hand-crafted in small batches to create the best wine of each vintage. Subtle and restrained yet full of flavour and lively on the palate. This wine is young at heart and will evolve gracefully over time.

Place

Created to showcase the feminine, subtle and elegant wines of our southern Margaret River vineyards. Every bottle tells a unique story of the vineyard, the variety and the vintage at that specific moment in time.

Vintage 2016

In 2016 it was rainfall early in the season that challenged our viticulturists and winemakers. With love and diligent care our team walked the vineyards every two days to ensure only the highest quality fruit was harvested. The white varieties were harvested in February, showing all the varietal characteristics & style we expect from our prestigious sites.

Winemaking

Each small batch of handpicked fruit was whole bunch pressed to extract the free run juice then roughly settled. Fermentation followed in 100% French oak (40% new) using 100% wild yeast to encourage the natural complexity and texture. Battonage was undertaken when required, according to taste.

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Appearance

Pale straw.

Aroma

Each glass is alluring with pretty layers of lime blossom, white flowers, white peach, nectarine, lemon and grapefruit. Accompanied by restrained gunflint, sea spray and nutty almond meal complexities. All showing precise concentration in perfect harmony.

Palate

The refined, elegant and textural palate flows with white peach, citrus, musk and our signature southern Margaret River minerality. Creating a wine of great length and precision that coats the palate perfectly.

Enjoyment

West Australian freshwater marron with a burnt butter sauce and fragrant herbs.

Wine Specs

Vineyards	Isca (1998)
Blend	100% Chardonnay
Oak	100% new fermentation + 40% new mature
Barrels	Louis Latour, Damy and François Frères.
Cellar	Now to 2028
Alcohol	12.5%
pH	3.26
Acidity	6.38