# LUMINOSA

2017 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 2017

Cooler temperatures and some unusual rainfall required diligent viticulture to ensure the fruit was in perfect condition. This resulted in the development of ripe flavours at low sugar levels and high natural acidity in Sauvignon Blanc, providing the perfect balance to create an aromatic and precise wine.

#### 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 (33% 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

Exotic aromas and mineral purity define the alluring combination of seaspray, Kaffir lime, lime pith and pink grapefruit. Delicate musk and a subtle caramel char add to the complexity.

#### Palate

Increased fruit weight and texture driven by a lime and pink grapefruit. A minerally springwater note highlights precision and length. Silky smooth with just the right amount of tension at the back.

#### Enjoyment

Pork dumplings with ginger dipping sauce - Gourmet Traveller

#### Wine Specs

Vineyards	Luminosa (1998)
Blend	100% Chardonnay
Oak	100% new fermentation (33% new)
Barrels	Louis Latour, Damy and François Frères.
Cellar	Now to 2028
Alcohol	13.6%
рН	3.14
Acidity	8.35