

STELLA BELLA

2020 Cabernet Merlot



This Cabernet Merlot packs a punch! Bright and charming, the perfume of Cabernet Sauvignon strikes you first, followed swiftly by its precise and structured palate. With its partner in crime Merlot providing the palate weight, with fruit generosity and richness.

Appearance

Dark red hues.

Abundant aromas of...

Satsuma plums, red cherries and raspberry lift out of the glass. Backed by delicate hints of dark olives, tobacco and savoury characteristics.

Palate

Soft and supple and full of flavour. Black olive, blackcurrant, raspberry and cherry fruits are accompanied by silky, soft tannins that coat the palate. The refreshing acidity balances the supple tannin and red fruits for an extremely smash-able wine that leaves you wanting more.

Enjoyment

A platter of freshly shaved meats of your choice.

Wine Specs

Blend	87% Cabernet 13% Merlot
Oak	10% New
Cellar	Now to 2030
Alcohol	13.7%
pH	3.55
Acidity	6.29

Place

Our Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot vines are planted throughout our Southern Margaret River vineyards with the majority coming from the Luminosa vineyard. The cabernet from this site is intense and perfumed, whilst the Merlot is open and voluptuous, resulting in a soft generous wine.

Vintage 2020

A dry and warm summer meant vintage 2020 started a month earlier. This warm weather in our southern vineyards provided perfect ripening conditions. Lower yields produced some exceptional flavours and intensely aromatic, punchy wines.

Winemaking

The Cabernet Sauvignon component was held on skins for 10 days to help build structure. The Merlot was pressed earlier to retain bright fruit aromatics. 10% new French oak was used to complement the fruit while providing some subtle mocha and vanillin oak sweetness. 12 months maturation in oak and tank.