

2015 CLASSIC DRY RED



A soft and sumptuous Margaret River Shiraz. Vasse Felix Classics are fruit-driven, approachable styles that have become some of Australia's most popular everyday classics since their inception in the 1980s.

TASTING NOTES

APPEARANCE Deep purple maroon

NOSE Fruit and savoury elements are beautifully lifted, with dark plum, juniper berry, smoked chillies, a touch of leather and an inviting note of fruit and nut chocolate.

PALATE So soft and juicy on the palate, easy and delicious with very soft acidity and remarkably soft, fine tannins. The flavours are clean with fresh plums and plum sauce with a lovely fruit and nut chocolate carrying.

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

The individual batches were crushed separately into stainless steel fermentation vessels. They were pressed off skins early to maintain a soft, succulent mouth feel. The resulting wine was matured in barriques for 12 months, with the incorporation of traditional oxidative handling, to soften and round the tannin profile and add further aroma and flavour complexity.

VINTAGE DESCRIPTION

Mild conditions in Margaret River with no extreme weather conditions, allowing for balanced fruit and a slow and steady intake. There was no disease pressure and fruit quality is excellent the only disappointment was yields being down across the Region for all key varieties. This was the outcome of storms in spring and pressure from an increase in the local population of Silver Eyes (birds) and no Marri Blossom.

VARIETIES 99% Shiraz, 1% Petit Verdot

HARVESTED Late March 2015

OAK 100% French oak, 12 months

TA 6.45 g/L **PH** 3.56

RESIDUAL SUGAR 0.57 g/L

ALCOHOL 14.0%

BOTTLED September 2016

CELLARING Drinks beautifully now, best enjoyed in its youth.