Mezzanine
THE FINE WINE SPECIALIST

CULLEN WINES
WILYABRUP & MARGARET RIVER

2020 Diana Madeline



The 2020 Diana Madeline vintage was hot and dry. For the old block cabernet sauvignon vines these drought like conditions resulted in the vines producing small berries, and hence the vines were low yielding - .i.e. bunch numbers were average but with low berry weight. This produced a wine of elegance, balance and perfume... effortless.

Harvest dates included 2 Moon Opposite Saturn events and two Full Moon's - one being a fruit day perigee and the other Full moon, Moon Opposite Saturn flower day, and took place from 8th February until 10th march.

The blend is 92% cabernet sauvignon, 4% merlot, 3% cabernet franc, and 1% malbec.

Closed tanks, open fermenters, barrels and amphora were all used in the fermentation process, and the period of skin contact time lasted from 10 to 99 days depending on the batch of wine.

This wine spent 13 Months in 50% new oak in a mixture of barriques and puncheons, with some biodynamic oak featuring.

No additions of yeast, acid, or malolactic acid were made to this wine.

COLOUR
Garnett with ruby purple tinges.

BOUQUET
Mulberry, chocolate, rose, iodine, salty plum

PALATE
First impressions have juicy berry fruit, mulberry, plum, cherry, This unctuous fruit is framed by fine grained tannins and Wilyabrup earth, ironstone, and dust which expresses the heat of the vintage and compliments the concentration of the fruit.

CELLAR
Drink now or cellar up to 50 years.

DRINK WITH
Margaret River wagu beef, Akardy lamb.

VINEYARD
100% Cullen Vineyard

VARIETIES
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HARVEST
Fruit and flower days between 8th February and 10th March, including a flower day MOSH Full Moon and a fruit day superMoon perigee, plus 2 flower day MOSH picks.

OAK
13 months in 50% new oak

ALCOHOL
13.0%

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