

2019 Chardonnay

Sub region – Wilyabrup



The Domaine	Rosily Vineyard is situated on Yelverton Road in the Wilyabrup sub region of Margaret River. The total vineyard size is 12.28 hectares. The Chardonnay block represents 16.30% of the total yield from the 2019 harvest. Only fruit from our vineyard is used in the production of our wines. The wines are all made at the winery constructed on the property in the year 2000.						
Our History	Rosily Vineyard is named after Vice-Admiral Count François-Étienne de Rosily-Mesros (1748-1832), a French Navigator and Cartographer, who was intimately involved in the ongoing French explorations of Western Australia during the late 18th and early 19th centuries.						
Certified Organic Timeline	2012 and 2013 – Vineyard organic trials conducted 2014, 2015, 2016 – Vineyard conversion to organic 2017 – Vineyard certified organic 2018 – Vintage 2018 was the 1st wine bottled with certified fruit 2019 – Certified wines released from 2018 and 2019 vintages.						
The Soil / Site	Rosily vineyard is planted on a gentle hill sloping down to a tributary of the Wilyabrup brook, which flows in the winter months. The soil types on the property vary from deep gravelly loams, to coarse gravels, to lighter sandy soils over a clay base. This soil diversity (in conjunction with Margaret River's climate and our north facing aspect) gives Rosily Vineyard the ability to produce vastly different styles of wine, all from within the 80 acre site. The most elevated portion of the block has some leaner gravel soils. This was specifically identified as being ideally suited for the chardonnay vines in the initial stages of planting.						
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Winemaking	10% unsettled free run juice drained straight to barrel. 90% free run and very lightly pressed juiced settled in tank for 4 days then fermented in barrels. All ferments started wild with 50% allowed to finish wild and the other 50% finished with cultured yeast. Monthly less stirring.						
Chardonnay Clones	The Chardonnay block is an intricate blend of different 7 different clones. The main component of the chardonnay has traditionally been sourced from the Gingin clone. Burgundy clones assist in creating a more complex and multi-dimensional wine. Rosily Vineyard wants to retain classic Margaret River stone fruit and grapefruit flavours. The additional clones provide an extra layer of interest on the palate including mineral and flinty elements.						
The Barrels	The oak used in the chardonnay is derived from Burgundian coopers including Sirugue, Damy, Billon, Val de Loire. These barrels are all fine grained and medium toasted and were originally harvested from the forests Allier, Nevers and Vosges.						
Production History	Average Production (over 20 years) – 737 cases, 2019 Production – 815 cases						
Other Technical Data	<p><i>Vine Age:</i> 25 years at harvest time, <i>Cropping Amount:</i> 12.24 tonnes, <i>Cropping Level:</i> 1.72 tonne / acre, <i>Harvest Dates:</i> 1st, 6th, 23rd and 27th of March 2019 (By Hand), <i>Oak Treatment:</i> 9.5 months in French Oak (50% new, 50% 1 year old), <i>Malolactic fermentation:</i> 12%, <i>Closure:</i> Screw cap</p>						
Winemaker	Mick Scott						
Vineyard Manager	Sam Castleden						

