

2019 Merlot Certified Organic

Sub region – Wilyabrup



The Domaine

Rosily Vineyard was established on Yelverton Road in the Wilyabrup sub region of Margaret River in 1994. The total vineyard size is 12.27 hectares. The Merlot Block represents 10% of total plantings. 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 – Organic certification was received in May 2019

2019 – Certified wines released

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 lower portion of the block, which is situated in the northeast corner, has some darker clay based earth. This was specifically identified as being ideally suited for the merlot vines in the initial stages of planting.

Tasting Notes

Appearance: Clear, bright, light red / purple with a crimson hue.

Nose: Fresh blue fruits with subtle cedary and floral notes.

Palate: Elegant, medium bodied wine displaying red currant, spice and plum flavours with hints of snow pea. Quality refined oak treatment and fine grained tannins allow this wine to be enjoyed now or over the next four to five years. The drying finish is a noticeable feature.

Technical Data

Cropping Level: 3.01 tonne / acre

Harvest Dates: 9th April 2019 (by hand).

Bottling Date : 16th October 2020

Vine Age: 22 years at harvest time.

Total Merlot Vines: 2049

Alcohol / Volume: 14%

Oak Treatment: 16 months maturation in French Oak (20% new)

