

2020 Semillon Sauvignon Blanc

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 Semillon and Sauvignon Blanc Blocks represent 28% 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

Vintage 2020 Overview

The 2020 vintage in the Margaret River region was harvested earlier than usual; following what was the warmest December on record. The harvest was also characterised by its low overall yields, and excellent quality with minimal bird damage and low disease pressure.

The rapid spread of Covid-19 around the world occurred right in the middle of vintage 2020, making it one of the most unusual harvests to date. By middle of March harvest had wrapped up, and the region raised a collective sigh of relief to have been able to complete the 2020 vintage undisrupted; without significant rain, lockdowns or the impact of bushfires and losses that sadly, some regions in other parts of Australia have had to endure.

The region enjoyed an early start to the season, with warmer than average spring temperatures evolving into the perfect summer growing conditions. Low disease pressure, timely flowering of native Marri trees to keep the birds at bay and little to no rain meant that harvest dates could be selected based entirely on flavour profiles and sugar / acid fruit analysis.

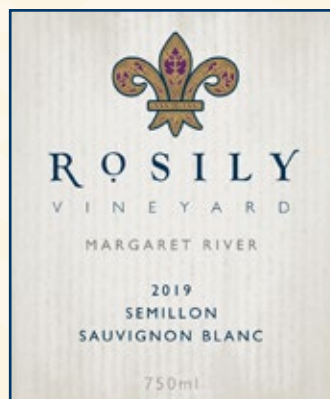
Tasting Notes

Appearance: Pale straw, brilliantly bright with a slight lemon tinge.
Nose: Aromatics reveal fresh nettle and ripe tropical fruits. Lightly toasted oak adds an extra dimension and depth.
Palate: A focused wine that displays citrus, grassy and subtle lime zest flavours. Deftly selected and handled oak provides vigour and complexity. Refreshing tangy acidity brings life to the finish. This wine is ready for immediate drinking however has the structure to evolve slowly over the next 7 years.

Technical Data

Vine Age: 26 years at harvest time
Cropping Level: Semillon 1.94 tonne / acre (50% down on long term average)
 Sauvignon Blanc 1.89 tonne / acre (46% down on long term average)
Harvest Dates: Semillon – 21st and 25th February 2020 (By hand)
 Sauvignon Blanc – 19th and 20th of February 2020 (By hand)
Ripeness: 12.25 Baume (Semillon), 12.14 Baume (Sauvignon Blanc)
Oak Treatment: 28% Barrel matured for 2 months in French Oak (100% new)
Alcohol/Volume: 13%

Show History



Vintage 2017 – Trophy and Gold Medal – Best Semillon and Sauvignon Blend, 2017 Margaret River Wine Show, Gold Medal – 2017 WA Boutique Wine Show

Vintage 2016 – Trophy and Gold Medal 2016 Winewise Small Vignerons Awards, Gold Medal 2016 Australian Small Winemakers Show, Gold Medal 2016 Royal Adelaide Wine Show, Gold Medal 2016 Royal Perth Wine Show, Gold Medal 2016 Blackwood Valley & Western Australian Boutique Wine Show

Vintage 2013 – Gold Medal 2013 Winewise Small Vignerons Awards Vintage 2012 – Trophy and Gold Medal 2013 Boutique Wine Awards Vintage 2012 – Gold Medal 2013 Cool Climate Wine Show

Vintage 2011 – Gold Medal 2015 Margaret River Wine Show Vintage 2010 – Silver Medal 2011 Decanter World Wine Awards

Vintage 2009 – Silver Medal 2009 Royal Perth Wine Show Vintage 2008 – Gold Medal 2008 Royal Hobart Wine Show

Vintage 2007 – Gold Medal 2007 Australian Small Winemakers Show Vintage 2006 – Trophy and Gold Medal at the 2007 Decanter

