CAPEL VALE WINES WINE AWARDS & REVIEWS

Autumn Edition 2024



2021 Black Label Margaret River Cabernet Sauvignon

Rich aromas on the nose, notes of violets, seaweeds, very ripe dark fruits and hints of sea spray. Elegant on the palate, medium body.

Rating: 95 points

Decanter World Wine Awards 2023



Wine show of WA

2021 Whispering Hill Riesling

- Best Riesling trophy
- Best Great Southern White wine trophy
- Gladstones trophy;

best & most distinctive regional character

2023 Whispering Hill Riesling

- Wine of Show
- Best white wine
- Best Riesling trophy
- Best Great Southern White wine trophy
- Gladstones trophy;

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2020 Capel Vale Single Vineyard Scholar Cabernet Sauvignon

Briney aromas on the nose, with bright red fruits, and nuances of sea breeze.
Silky and fine tannins, with a mineral finish.











Single Vineyard Wines represent the ultimate expression of varietal fruit flavour and winemaking excellence from Capel Vale.

They are only released in years when the highest quality standards are achieved.

'Whispering Hill' Mount Barker Shiraz 2020

Earthy, herbal and savoury aromas with hints of dry spice. The palate is broad and rich, again earthy, featuring flavours of wild raspberry, perfumed blueberries, violets, herbs and spices. The abundant oak is polished and ripe, the tannins firm, and there is good freshness and potential for aging.

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96 points

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Gracefully opulent with dark fruit richness, violet, warm spice and cedar characters, it's concentrated and plush in the mouth delivering terrific power backed by seamlessly woven tannins. Mouthfilling and substantial with a wonderfully long harmonious finish.



Rating: 96 points

Wine Orbit 2022 - Sam Kim

A savory nose of grilled meat, crushed plums, black cherries, cracked pepper and leather. Full-bodied with silky tannins. Linear and vibrant on the palate. Bright acidity helps bring definition to the spicy flavors. Generous finish.

Rating: 93 points

James Suckling October 2022





The Scholar



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'The Scholar' Margaret River Cabernet Sauvignon 2018



Silver Medal 92 Points International Wine Challenge Tranche 2 2020

Deep red colour with a good rim of purple and a sweet cassis, raspberry aroma, violets and blueberries, a lacing of crushed-leaf, very fruit-driven and bright, the palate very intense and tightly focused, firm and highly structured, with formidable tension and length. Very regional and brightly fruited: a wine that would richly reward cellaring. The finish has quite a grip at this juncture.

Rating: 94 points

Huon Hooke - The Real Review

SINGLE VINEYARD SERIES

Comes from a mighty good patch of dirt on Miamup Road in Margaret River. Engaging fragrances of floral red berry with a smattering of violet. This is delightfully lively with tremendous energy throughout. Medium bodied with firmish but fine chalky tannins. Extends to a very long finish.

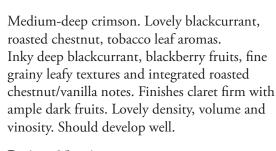
Rating: 95 points

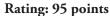
Ray Jordan Wine Guide 2021 Australian Wine Companion

Very ripe red-plum paste, redcurrants and dried flowers with dried-leaf notes, too. The palate is mapped out on layers of fine tannin and has an elegant shape with some quite ripe fruit. Sturdy finish. Drink in the next six years. Screw cap.

Rating: 91 points James Suckling WA Wine Tasting 2020

'The Scholar' Margaret River Cabernet Sauvignon 2020





Andrew Caillard Journal 2022

Perfumed aromas of sweet berries, fresh herbs such as lemongrass and citrus peel follow through to a medium body, with firm and medium velvety tannins that have a lemon rind texture. Drink or hold.

Rating: 92 points James Suckling October 2022

Vibrant, with bright red fruits, tamarillo, chocolate and mint, and oaky notes. A firm wine with ageability.

Silver Medal

Rating: 90 points Decanter World Wine Awards

London 2022

Ripe, opulent and aromatic, with cherry liqueur, cassis and nutmeg ably supported by fine-grained tannins and a wet earth finish.

Silver Medal

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London 2021







The Scholar







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'Whispering Hill' Mount Barker Riesling 2021

Pale straw colour, bright and very youthful. Aromas of lemon rind, white flowers, nettles, talc and wet stone. Fine, delicate and focused, lemon, lime, minerally and racy, linear acidity. Very pure and precise

Silver - 93 points

The Real Review - Aaron Brasher

Very youthful with an enchanting nose of orange blossom. Succulent and elegant with a hint of unfermented grape sweetness that only adds to the excitement on the mid-weight palate.

Very racy, elegant and long finish

94 points

James Suckling October 2022



Subtle, Turkish delight and floral, talcum powder, subdued, softer palate, citrus notes, moorish 95 Points

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Best reat Southern White wine



Gladstones Trophy
Best & most distinctive
regional character

'Whispering Hill' Mount Barker Riesling 2022

Pale lemon-yellow hue. Lime curd, white florals and seaspray aromas lift from the glass.

Tension and drive really stand out but there's ample plush citrus fruit weight that brings balance.

A wine of precision that flows long and lingers with a crisp salty mineral note at the finish

Silver - 93 points

The Real Review - Aaron Brasher





Silver Medal
WA Wine Show 2022



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Our much loved Black Label Series is back to express an exalted selection of our best vintages.

The outstanding Cabernet Sauvignon & Chardonnay our from the family owned Capel Vale Margaret River Scholar Vineyard.

Black Label Margaret River Cabernet Sauvignon 2020



This is a stunning rendition showing cassis, dark cherry, cedary oak, cigar and rich floral aromas on the nose.

The impressively weighted palate delivers awesome persistency and fine flow, superbly structured by loads of fine-grained tannins. Sturdy yet silky with layers of delicious flavours.

At its best: now to 2038

Rating: 95 points
Sam Kim, Wine Orbit 2022

Blackcurrants, tar, asphalt, and blackcurrant aromas and flavors. Medium- to full-bodied with creamy tannins and a juicy finish. Juicy. Drink now

Rating: 93 points

James Suckling - 2022





Black Label Margaret River Cabernet Sauvignon 2021



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Elegant on the palate and medium body.

Rating: 95 points

Decanter 2023



Alluring notes of fresh leather, vanilla and berry compote on the nose. The palate is sleek and glides along, corralled by a stream of fine silty tannins. This offers elegance yet depth and intensity, it is harmonious and delicious in its youth though has great potential to age. Bitter chocolate tannins complete the deal

Rating: 95 points

The Real Review - Gabrielle Poy 2024







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Black Label Margaret River Chardonnay 2020

Pale lemon, olive brine nose with a flinty, limey palate, crisp acidity and a rich but delicate palate.

Has length and balance.

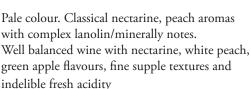
Silver Medal - 92 PointsDecanter World Wine Awards

Flinty nose with aromas of ripe limes, blood orange and notes of smoke and milk. Lemony on the palate.

Silver Medal - 92 PointsDecanter World Wine Awards







Rating: 95 points

Andrew Caillard Journal 2022

Elegant, stylish and complex, the wine shows white flesh stone fruit, lemon peel, nougat and roasted cashew characters on the nose, leading to a concentrated palate displaying fine texture and focused mouthfeel. Brilliantly structured by bright acidity, finishing impressively long and engaging. At its best: now to 2032

Rating: 95 points

Sam Kim, Wine Orbit 2022



Black Label Margaret River Chardonnay 2021

A vibrant, saline and fresh chardonnay with aromas of mango stones, jasmine, lemons, biscuits and sea shells. Medium-bodied with bright acidity and refreshing saline minerality to the biscuity layers. Textured finish. Drink now or hold.

Rating: 92 points

James Suckling - 2022





Floral perfume, honeysuckle, white peach and touches of oyster shell and creamy lees. Light in body, very refreshing.

Silver Medal - 92 PointsDecanter World Wine Awards



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Fragrant, blossomy, youthful, energetic wine with notes of dried pineapple and nectarine. Pristine fruit with a core of pristine acidity.

International Wine Challenge Margaret River Chardonnay Trophy Rating: 95 points International Wine Challenge 2022









Regional wines are elegant and graceful wines. They are high quality wines that reflect varietal and regional characteristics. Perfectly approachable upon release, they will however, reveal their strength and pedigree with further appropriate cellaring.

Mount Barker Regional Series Riesling 2022

Fruit comes off the Whispering Hill vineyard and while the single-vineyard version gets cherry-picked, this is no slouch. It's steely and fine, long and pure with some lemon-lime and orange drops in the mix. Mouth-wateringly fresh.

Rating: 93 points
Halliday Wine Companion 2023
Jane Faulkner



Silver Medal
Decanter World Wine Awards
2022



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Refreshing style with racy acidity, lemon and floral notes and lime persistence.

International Wine Challenge Silver Medal Rating: 91 points International Wine Challenge 2022



Mount Barker Regional Series Riesling 2023





Gold Medal
Wine Show of WA 2023

Pale yellow-green colour; attractive flowery young riesling aromas, clean, fresh and approachable already. Refreshing acidity cleanses the finish. Seamless palate, light and appetising.

Rating: 92 points
The Real Review - Huon Hooke 2024

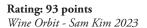




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Margaret River Regional Series Sauvignon Blanc 2023

Pristine and fabulously aromatic, the wine shows green apple, nectarine, jasmine and lemongrass aromas on the nose, followed by an intensely flavoursome palate delivering terrific fruit purity and power. Upfront and delectable.











Restrained, with lean lemongrass and minerality. The palate is subtle with green hints and tropical fruit.

IWSC in situ Margaret River 2023

Geographe Regional Series Malbec Rosé 2023

Splendidly elegant and aromatic, the bouquet shows raspberry, Gala apple, lemon peel and jasmine nuances, leading to a finely textured palate that's linear and persistent. It's light and bright with a lengthy, vibrant finish.

WineOrbit

Rating: 93 points
Wine Orbit - Sam Kim 2023



Mount Barker Regional Series Shiraz 2020

Minty, chocolate blackberry nose, with bitter chocolate, bay leaf, fennel, cured meat and plum palate and some smoky notes. Not bad!

Silver Medal 90 points

Decanter World Wine Awards London 2022



WineOrbit

It's wonderfully ripe and fragrant on the nose with blackberry, olive, game and roasted hazelnut aromas. The beautifully weighted palate delivers plump mouthfeel backed by silky tannins, offering fabulous drinking. At its best: now to 2033.

Rating: 93 points

Wine Orbit - Sam Kim 2022



Margaret River Regional Series Cabernet Sauvignon 2021

A gorgeous expression of the variety, showing blackcurrant, bay leaf, clove and roasted nut aromas on the nose, leading to a succulent palate that's supple and persistent. Classically structured by fine chalky tannins, finishing long and attractively dry. At its best: now to 2034.

Rating: 93 points

Wine Orbit - Sam Kim 2022





Debut wines are fresh, fruity & exuberant wines which remain true at all times to their varietal origin.

DEBUT



Debut Sparkling Brut NV

It's delightfully expressed on the nose showing golden apple, oatmeal, citrus peel and dried flower characters, followed by a beautifully rounded palate that's creamy and flavoursome. It's well supported by juicy acidity, finishing long and refreshing.

Rating 90/100 Sam Kim Wine Orbit





Debut 2022 Sauvignon Blanc Semillon

It's bright and fresh on the nose showing green rockmelon, crunchy apple and lemon zest aromas, leading to a lively palate that's flavoursome and lingering. Crisp-dry and vibrant, offering excellent drinking.

Rating 91/100 Sam Kim Wine Orbit





Debut Merlot 2021

It's attractively fruited and nicely fragrant on the nose with dark plum, sweet cherry, floral and subtle spice aromas. The palate offers juicy fruit flavours with beautifully rounded mouthfeel, finishing smooth and friendly.

Rating 88/100 Sam Kim Wine Orbit



DEBUT

Debut Cabernet Merlot 2021

Delightfully ripe and fragrant on the nose with dark berry, dried herb, clove and toasted almond characters, it's silky and supple on the palate delivering fine texture and smooth mouthfeel. Well framed by gentle tannins, offering charming drinking.

Rating 88/100 Sam Kim Wine Orbit

