



Ashbrook Estate

ASHBROOK ESTATE

2010 Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

TASTING NOTES

Ashbrook Estate is one of the longest established wineries in the Margaret River region located in the heart of Wilyabrup. Family owned and operated since 1975, all wines are crafted from handpicked estate grown fruit. All processing, winemaking, bottling and packaging are closely controlled using the Estate's own private facilities.

James Halliday says: "This estate is one of the quietest and highest achievers in Australia, maintaining excellent viticulture and fastidious winemaking." ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



2010 VINTAGE

Another sublime season for the Margaret River wine region! The growing season was warm and dry following a winter which had rainfall returning to long term average levels. The dry spring ensured a successful flowering period during November and December resulting in good fruit set resulting in higher than average crops. Hot weather in early March accelerated ripening but temperatures moderated leading to a long ripening period during March and April which was near to perfect!

VINEYARD

The "Old Cab" Houghton clone cuttings were collected from the Agricultural Department 'Source Block' in the Swan Valley and planted in 1976. Due to its ultimate suitability to the region and increased demand, the "young cab" was planted in 1998 from the original vines on the Estate. The "Old Cab" was originally all VSP grown but converted to cane pruned, with +90% Lyre trellis in 1998 with immediate and brilliant results. Coupled with the application of composted mulch, for the past 8 years, the Vineyard shows remarkable health and balance producing super premium fruit year in year out.

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Predominantly grapes handpicked from the original Cabernet Sauvignon vines planted in 1976 our inaugural Reserve showcases the complex characters of old vine Wilyabrup Cabernet Sauvignon. A wonderfully elegant yet flavorsome wine bursting with red and black currants, cherry plum fruit leather with subtle undertones of violet, aniseed and subtle cigar box aromas. The palate infuses with elegant spicy oak that flood the senses with the silky smooth, fine-grained tannins reinforcing palate length and wine longevity.

REGION Wilyabrup, Margaret River

VARIETY	Cabernet Sauvignon	94%
	Merlot	2%
	Petit Verdot	2%
	Cabernet Franc	2%

HARVEST DATE 17th, 18th, 22nd March 2011

BOTTLING DATE 17th December 2013

CLOSURE Stelvin

TECHNICAL DATA

Alc	14.5% v/v
TA	6.4g/l
Residual Sugar	0.5g/l
pH	3.73