

# James Halliday 2013 Wine Companion



## Ashbrook Estate



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**WINEMAKER** Catherine Edwards, Tony and Brian Devitt **EST.** 1975 **DOZENS** 14,000

**Vineyards** 17.4 ha

This fastidious producer of consistently excellent estate-grown table wines shuns publicity and the wine show system alike and is less well-known than is deserved, selling much of its wine through the cellar door and by an understandably very loyal mailing list clientele. The white wines are of the highest quality, year in, year out. Exports to the UK, Canada, Germany, Indonesia, Japan, Singapore, Hong Kong, Taiwan and China.



**Margaret River Semillon 2011** Light straw-green; a wine full of flavour, a fleeting glimpse of fresh-cut grass before ripe citrus and some tropical fruit takes over; with an almost succulent mouthfeel; simply can't be compared to Hunter Valley semillon, and delicious now. Screwcap. 14% alc. **TO** 2016 \$22

**RATING 94**



**Margaret River Chardonnay 2010** Mid gold; a big and ripe wine showing grapefruit, fresh fig, pineapple and plenty of spice; the palate is richly textured on entry; with the backbone of vibrant acidity cleaning it up and delivering a full flavoured, yet lively conclusion. Screwcap. 14% alc. **TO** 2018 \$32

**RATING 94**



**Margaret River Verdelho 2011** Pale straw-green; a compelling blend of citrus, spice and tropical fruit comes through strongly on the bouquet and palate alike, supported on the palate by perfectly balanced acidity. Margaret River verdelho has always had a little bit extra. Screwcap. 14% alc. **TO** 2015 \$22

**RATING 94**



**Margaret River Cabernet Merlot Cabernet Franc 2007** To be precise, it is "a blend mostly of cabernet sauvignon with the remainder merlot, cabernet franc and petit verdot", it has an elegant but complex medium-bodied palate with fine grained tannins rippling through the blackcurrant/cassis flavours, finishing with touches of cedar, spice and earth. Screwcap. 14% alc. **TO** 2020 \$29

**RATING 94**



**Margaret River Sauvignon Blanc 2011** Strong straw-yellow; this is a rich and full sauvignon blanc, loaded with tropical fruit; developed colour, skin contact a possibility. A retro style, ready for consumption now. Screwcap. 14.5% alc. **TO** 2014 \$22

**RATING 90**



**Margaret River Shiraz 2007** Light but bright hue; an elegant, light-to medium-bodied wine that shows no sign of its alcohol or any overripe fruit; French oak is woven through gently spicy red fruit flavours, finishing with fine tannins. Screwcap. 15% alc. **TO** 2018 \$29

**RATING 90**