

2019 'Dirty Boots' Cabernet Sauvignon

Varieties: 86% Cabernet Sauvignon, 14% Merlot

Region: Yallingup, Treeton and Wilyabrup, Margaret River

Five small blocks of Cabernet Sauvignon were selected for this blend: three from Yallingup, one from Wilyabrup and one block from the Rosa Glen locality. The Yallingup Cabernet Sauvignon vineyards have provided the earthy, chocolate, blackberry notes with fleshy texture; the Wilyabrup components contribute ripe blackcurrant and violet aromatics with dense and rich filigreed long tannins. The rolling hills of Rosa Glen offer Cabernet Sauvignon with savoury elements of olive, herbs and dark chocolate with a sinewy tannin structure.

The 2019 season was a cool but even. Flowering was even and crops were moderate with great intensity. The cooler but dry summer was ideal for Cabernet ripening, with harvest occurring throughout April.

The 2019 Dirty Boots Cabernet Sauvignon is very aromatic with lifted berry, currant, olive, sage and bay characters. The palate was aided by some post ferment maceration which has added a creamy texture to the tannin backbone. Aging in new and older barriques and puncheons has added complexity and sinew to the structure.

This is a fresh and complex Dirty Boots suited to drinking in isolation or matching with hearty meat based dishes.