

## Chapman Grove Cabernet Merlot 2011

## Our Story...

As a wine retailer and lover of fine wines, Ron Fraser recognised many years ago the potential of the Margaret River region to produce great wine. He decided in 1987 that this was where he wanted to make world-class wine and build a wine company which would be recognised as one of the major producers in the Margaret River region creating exceptional wines.

After a long search for the perfect location, Ron finally found a vineyard that he believed would produce the premium-quality grapes he needed to support his vision and planting commenced in the newly established Chapman Grove Vineyard in 1997. After selling fruit to the local wineries for the first five vintages, Ron felt that the vines were mature enough to start to produce high-quality fruit. With Winemaker Bruce Dukes, he set out to craft the unique wines that he felt the vineyard was capable of producing. In 2006 the first Chapman Grove wines were released onto the market.



## Our Vineyard...

The Chapman Grove vineyard is located 10km south east of the Margaret River township on a combination of north and south facing slopes. During the growing season we have lovely cool nights which means day temperatures do not get too high and enables us to achieve full physiological ripeness in our fruit, giving us beautiful aromatics a natural acidity in our white wines and lovely perfumes and elegant tannins in the reds.

## Tasting Notes...

This is a 60-40 Blend of Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. The wine is elegant and refined showing a clear red-purple colour; a fresh, bright and breezy wine, with red fruits to the fore and balanced tannins to hold the structure together.

Drink to 2019.

Alc/Vol 13.4% Screwcap

Varietal - 51% Cabernet Sauvignon 49% Merlot Vintage - 2011 Region - Margaret River, WA Oak - French Time in Oak - 9 months New Oak 0%, 2nd use 100%

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