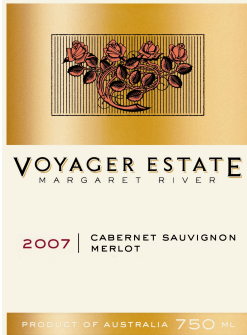


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MARGARET RIVER

2007 CABERNET SAUVIGNON MERLOT



Variety: 88% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Merlot

Colour: Rich dark ruby red, with garnet hues.

Nose: An intense and complex bouquet of dark berries, a dusty, gravelly note, with hints of cedar and bay leaf.

Palate: The palate displays a core of rich, plush dark berry fruits with hints of spice, mocha and dark chocolate. The concentrated fruit character is seamlessly interlaced with fine, ripe and still very structural tannins.

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Food Match: Intensity and body are key with this wine, so long-cooked meats with rich sauces or marinates are the way to go.

Alc/Vol: 14.2%

pH:

Total Acidity:

Harvest Date: 12 - 27 March 2007

Oak Maturation: French oak, 18 months. 50% new, 50% two-year-old

Bottling Date: 10 December 2008

Cellaring Potential: Drink now - 2022

Vintage

The winter of 2006 was one of our coldest, with low rainfall and clear skies leading to rare occurrences of frosts in the region. The following growing season was near perfect with warm, dry conditions, early flowering and a warm-to-hot summer quickly advancing grape ripening. The heat continued into March and the red grapes were harvested early and in superb condition, with rich, ripe fruit profiles and fine, ripe tannins.

Vineyard

The Wine

Hand-harvested parcels of fruit were de-stemmed to retain as many whole berries as possible then fermented separately in open or upright fermenters with regular, gentle pump overs or plunging. Fermentation temperatures were kept below 30 degrees and lasted as long as 14 days, before being pressed or allowed to stay on skins for additional texture and tannin development. The wine spent 18 months in French oak, 50% of which was new.

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