



ASHBROOK ESTATE

2014 Verdelho

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." ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



2014 VINTAGE

A beautifully wet winter in 2013 provided a great start to the Spring growing season. Near perfect weather during flavour development with no heat waves or large rainfall events recorded and a total of 4.3mm falling between December 2013 – February 2014. Abundant Marri blossom before and throughout vintage saw no pressure or damage from silver eye birds with 2014 being a truly 'Classic' Margaret River weather pattern and an exceptional grape growing season.

VINEYARD

After collecting cuttings during pruning season from one of the oldest Vineyards in the Swan Valley north east of Perth in 1976 the "Old Block" was planted on Ashbrook Estate. Due to its popularity a second block was planted in 1987 which is affectionately known as the "Verdelho over the creek". Originally all VSP grown, the majority was converted to cane pruned Lyre trellis in 2010 with immediate and brilliant results. Coupled with the application of composted mulch, for the past 8 years, the Vineyard shows remarkable health.

WINEMAKING

A vibrant, unwooded style of Verdelho with lashings of fruit aromas on the nose marrying with tropical fruit flavors and hints of spice on the palate. The wine stays focused and finishes crisp and dry yet has a powerful and refreshing length that makes this wine the perfect accompaniment to spicy, full flavoured dishes. Famous for its natural acidity, this variety ages beautifully. Cellaring for more than five years rewards with complex spice and honeysuckle and developing nutty and toasty characters.

REGION Wilyabrup, Margaret River

VARIETY Verdelho

HARVEST DATE 15th & 20th February 2014

BOTTLING DATE 8th May 2014

CLOSURE Stelvin

TECHNICAL DATA

Alc	14.6% v/v
TA	7.3g/l
Residual Sugar	0.6g/l
pH	3.17