



## 2012 Basket Pressed Cabernet Sauvignon

Established in 1996, Windows Estate is a boutique wine producer located on the border of the Yallingup and Wilyabrup regions of the Margaret River appellation. The unique terroir of the site, bordering national park which is then adjacent to the Indian Ocean, creates a pristine environment in which to nurture our vines and produce outstanding fruit. We believe great wines begin in the vineyard, which is why all Windows Estate vines are meticulously cared for and dry block grown to ensure maximum concentration of flavours. Being a small, family owned and operated winery, great passion goes into creating unique styles for each and every wine under our label. In the winery itself, traditional winemaking methods are applied to handcraft wines of elegance and distinction. White wines undergo partial barrel fermentation, resulting in the retention of the fruit characters whilst adding structure and texture to the wine. And for reds, open fermentation is implemented, including hand plunging, extended maceration, manual basket pressing and maturation in a range of French oak barriques. This makes Windows Estate one of the few traditional wineries remaining that still utilise a manual basket press. While it is a very labour intensive and a much slower process, we feel that the results speak for themselves.

Handpicked from our oldest block of Cabernet, planted in heavier loam this Cabernet is beautifully balanced; 28 days extended maceration and matured in French oak barriques for 18 months.

Colour: Deep maroon with purple hues.

Nose: Aromas of brooding dark berry fruits and savoury oak.

Palate: Luscious, rich dense blackberries and blackcurrants, Olive, violets and earthy tones supported by aromatic French oak.

Oak Maturation: 18 months in French oak barriques

Cellaring: 2035

96/100 Wine of the Week James Halliday

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Gold Decanter World Wine Awards (London)

Gold Scoop Magazine

Producer: Windows Estate

Viticulturalist & Winemaker: Chris Davies

Country of Origin: Australia

Region of Origin: Margaret River, Western Australia

Fruit Source: Estate Grown, Yallingup Margaret River

Variety: 87% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Petit Verdot, 5% Malbec, 3% Merlot

Alcohol: 14%

Closure: Screw Cap

