

Laissez Faire

Laissez-Faire means "let it be" and this reflects our hands off approach.

Whilst we've learnt from organics, biodynamics and natural wine practices, we're not dictated by one school of thought. We don't subscribe to dogma. You could call them natural wines, but we like to think of them as "post natural wines".

We believe in healthy and sustainable vineyard practices, and a winemaking transparency with as little as possible between the vine and finished wine.

Whereas a lot of wines presented as "natural" can be sourced from chemically cultivated vines without accountability, we grow all our own grapes. Our Grenache and Syrah vines are dry grown. And whilst copper is allowed in organic viticulture, we use minimal copper treatments.

In our Laissez-Faire winemaking, there's no added tannin, or acid, or animal fining products. There is zero sulfur use throughout the winemaking, and only a minimal amount at bottling. We're using alternate varieties and blends to make naturally balanced wines. From vine to bottle, the wine takes its course, hands free.

2018 Pinot Blanc

THE VINTAGE:

A dry start to the winter followed by good spring rainfall. The summer was mild with temperatures below 30c throughout the entire season which resulted in some of the best Pinot Noir in decades. All white varieties are marked by lively acidity backed by strong flavours and textures resulting in very well balanced wines.

Vintage Rating—9.5/10

THE WINE MAKING:

Fruit was harvested in 2-3 passes to achieve optimal ripeness, and texture. The fruit was gently destemmed with no additions of sulphites, acids or enzymes.

THE WINE:

Textural with acid support. Layers of pear, lemon and spice.

DRINK WITH:

Prawn Linguine.

Channybearup Vineyard Year Planted 1997 Location Pemberton Vines per Hectare 1450 Irrigation Yes Clone/s Unknown Rootstock Own Aspect Northern Soils Karri Loam

Origin Pemberton Variety Pinot Blanc 86%, Gewurztraminer 14% Picking date April 2018 Sugar at picking 11° Baume Alcohol 11.5% 3.23 5.20

pН Total acidity Residual sugar 2 g/L **Bottled** August 2018 Vegan Yes Vegetarian Yes Organic N/A Biodynamic Allergens Low Sulphites