



Lenton Brae Southside Chardonnay, Margaret River (Screwcap closure) 2019

White | Australia | Margaret River | 13% | Dry, fuller-bodied white | Screw cap
100% Chardonnay



In a nutshell:

We first offered Ed Tomlinson's delicious Lenton Brae range a year ago; this was Private Cellar's first foray into the Margaret River region, and the wines enjoyed instant, well-deserved success. They embody everything that Western Australian wines are all about - cool, poised, elegant and supremely stylish.

Viticulture:

The fruit is sourced from three different vineyards, two are situated in the Wilyabrup region, close to the coast. This adds minerality, freshness and its signature saline edge.

Classification: Conventional

Harvesting Method: Manual

Vinification:

Fermentation is partially started through inoculation and through native yeasts. It occurs in a combination of new and used French oak barriques and stainless steel vats. Bâtonnage occurs on a weekly basis and the wine rests for several months on the fine lees before bottling.

TA 6.8 | RS <1

Price:

75cl Bottle £14.63 Case (12 bottles) £175.52

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Tasting Notes:

Very pale in colour with a deliciously buttery, creamed white fruit nose and a distant hint of banoffee pie – unashamedly Chardonnay! On the palate tight, fresh white stone fruits, citrus and lemony, ripe and clean, with a lovely, lightly spiced finish. Very satisfying indeed.

Barrel fermented with a small amount of new wood, using native yeasts.

"Great concentration and weight. Aromas of wild fennel, ripe nectarines and lemon curd. Nutty wild-yeast complexity and toastiness from barrel fermentation and a hint of new oak." Decanter Magazine, Weekday wines, February 2021 edition. Reviewed by Tina Gellie.

"I love these guys, and here we have a pinpoint accurate Chardonnay from the legendary Margaret River turf. But, stop

press. The famous names are now £50-£90 a bottle, and this Lenton Brae number limbos under every recognised MR price point. **Controversial; decant it. Very few Chardonnays on earth sing like this one does at this price.**" - Matthew Jukes

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