



MOSS WOOD
Wilyabrup
MARGARET RIVER
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

MEDIA REVIEWS
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MOSS WOOD 2012 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

MATTHEW JUKES, *100 Best Australian Wines 2015/2016*

“The 2012 is an amazing standard for one of Australia’s more revered Cabernet Kings. Everything about this wine from tiny sub–region of Wilyabrup (the bull’s eye of Cabernet quality in MR) is restrained. The scent is pungent but not showy, the flavour is delivered soto voce but resounding and the finish is like a massive electrical storm flashing and rumbling in the distance. This is one of the most stylish and complete wines ever released under this label.”

RAY JORDAN, *The Bottom Drawer*

“A wine that needs absolutely no introduction. In my humble opinion this is going to rank with the top three or four Moss Wood’s ever made. I just love this wine, it captures everything that you expect in Moss Wood. It’s subtle, it’s soft, it’s got great fruit richness and intensity. This one is a beauty. If you’re really serious about your Cabernet, West Australian Cabernet, you’re not going to get much better than the Moss Wood 2012.”

JOHN LEWIS, “*Best of the Reds*”, *Newcastle Herald*

Rating 5.5/6

“Moss Wood owners Keith and Clare Mugford rate this among the best cab savs they have made and I agree. It and the Katnook Estate 2010 Odyssey have a vibrancy and structure that make them the two cabernet sauvignon stars of this tasting. The Moss Wood is bright magenta, beguiles with scents of red currants and rose petals and has 14 per cent alcohol. Lovely cassis flavour sings on the front of the palate and mulberry, mint chocolate, cloves and herbal fruit characters chime in with cedary oak on the middle palate. Persistent berry fruit and dusty tannins harmonise at the finish.”

CAMPBELL MATTINSON, *The Wine Front*

“A fascinating Moss Wood cabernet sauvignon.”

MOSS WOOD 2013 CHARDONNAY

JOHN LEWIS, *Newcastle Herald*

“Clare and Keith Mugford’s Moss Wood Chardonnays are invariably excellent and that’s so here. The wine is brassy gold, has tropical fruit salad scents with vanilla bean underlays and serves up profound golden peach flavour on the front of the palate. Mango, melon and citrus fruit characters meld with cashew oak on the middle palate and slatey acid refreshes at the finish.”

GRAEME PHILLIPS, “*Way out West wine a winner*”, *The Mercury - Hobart*

“This is an exercise in elegance and refinement with nutty, oatnealy and toffee characters underpinning the stone fruit and citrus flavours of the silky, beautifully balanced and longfinishing palate. One for the cellar or to enjoy now.”



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MOSS WOOD 2014 SEMILLON

JAMES HALLIDAY, *The Wine Companion*

95 Points

“A wine unto itself, intense, deep and long; the vines are deep-rooted and the grapes retain good acidity that provide both length and balance for the fruit expression of crushed lemon leaf, lemongrass and Meyer lemon.”

GRAEME PHILLIPS, “*Way out West wine a winner*”, *The Mercury Hobart*

“This is softer, fruitier and less austere than the classic young semillons from the Hunter Valley, less citrusy and more a soft, rounded mouthful of ripe tropical fruits beautifully balanced around a refreshing acid core. While it is a lovely drop now, the tasting notes state it “will reach its peak over the next 15 years”.”

MOSS WOOD RIBBON VALE 2012 CABERNET SAUVIGNON MERLOT

RAY JORDAN, “*Tasting bench*”, *Drinks Trade magazine*

“This vineyard that has been part of the Moss Wood stable for some years now, is really starting to develop a level of consistency. Okay, good vintages help, but the tannin management has resulted in wines of a more classy expression of the region. Smooth and seamless while still packing a punch. Will handle some extended cellaring while drinking well in the short-term.”

MIKE BENNIE, “*Tasting bench*”, *Drinks Trade magazine*

93 Points

“Seamless, effortless flow to this wine, showing dark and brooding in fruit character, complex with licks of black olive and Provencale herb notes, all meshed to spicy, dusty oak. Perfume is reserved and attractive. The wine has length and class.”

MOSS WOOD RIBBON VALE 2012 MERLOT

JOHN LEWIS, *Newcastle Herald*

“Here’s a quality merlot that shines bright garnet in the glass, has bouquet garni scents and zings onto the front palate with juicy mulberry flavour. The middle palate introduces bramble jelly, liquorice and Turkish delight fruit characters integrated with savoury oak. Dusty tannins come through at the finish. It’s in fine wine stores and at mosswood.com.au. It is made from grapes grown on the Ribbon Vale vineyard, close to the original Margaret River Moss Wood vineyard.”



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MOSS WOOD RIBBON VALE 2014 SAUVIGNON BLANC SEMILLON

JAMES HALLIDAY, *The Wine Companion* **94 Points**

“A powerful and complex blend, seemingly made without oak (and not needing it); there is a broader spectrum of flavours than those of the Semillon.”

ALAN HUNTER, *Brisbane Courier Mail Weekend* **94 Points**

“From a..... Margaret River vineyard that delivers benchmark wines each vintage. Such a fresh rendition of this class white blend for the region – light in colour, floral, with lemon and sour apple. Length and concentration on palate, alongside purity and freshness – very satisfying.”

GRAEME PHILLIPS, “*Way out West wine a winner*”, *The Mercury - Hobart*

“Blends of sauvignon blanc and semillon — or the reverse — are a style that Margaret River producers have made their own. They are among the most refreshing drops around and this one is up there with the best — mouthwatering lemon sherbet freshness and lovely texture.”

MOSS WOOD 2013 AMY'S

JOHN SAKER, *Timaru Herald*

“This blend of cabernet sauvignon, merlot and malbec rides in on a wave of herbal, gooseberry flavours. It offers varying shades of fruit, a tarry twist and a rounded texture.”

RAY JORDAN, *Top 100 reds 2015* **93 Points**

“A blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Malbec. Opens with a leafy aromatic so typical of this region. There's a little blackcurrant and subtle red fruit in there, with a trace of cedary oak. The palate is tightly held, with fine, sinewy tannins and supple medium to full bodied fruit. Balanced and poised to a long finish.”

MIKE FROST, *Courier Mail, Brisbane*

“A blend of cabernet sauvignon, malbec and merlot from Margaret River, this shows rich red and dark berry, mulberry and plum fruit on the nose and palate, with fine, firm tannins in the background. You could try it now with lamb or venison dishes but it has the structure to keep well for five years or longer.”