



Eagle Bay “Wilyabrup” 2020 Shiraz

Wise Eagle Bay is a family-owned boutique winery located at the northern end of the Margaret River wine region. Our philosophy in the vineyard starts with sustainable farming practices, nurturing the soil and the vines to produce fruit with distinct varietal characteristics. Our winemakers strive to complete the process that was begun in the vineyard by guiding and protecting the nuances of the fruit with great care and minimal intervention.

Region: Margaret River (Wilyabrup)

100% Shiraz

14% alc/vol

Optimal drinking: Now until 2028

Vintage

2020 will be remembered for all the wrong reasons. A silver lining though is the exceptional vintage 2020 has turned out to be in Western Australia. The warmer than average spring led to an early vintage with low yields however the resultant fruit quality was exceptional. Whilst scarce the vintage does offer some really smashing wines.

Winemaking

A small selection of hand-picked Shiraz grapes from Wilyabrup were naturally fermented on skins with 18 months maturation in a blended French and American Oak puncheon. This one vessel is the entire make-up of the 2020 Eagle Bay Shiraz. A rare wine from a special vintage. This style of Shiraz is not atypical to Margaret River and will surprise many.

Tasting

This wine offers the classic cherries, raspberries and earthy forest foliage both on the nose and in the mouth. The maturation in oak adds baking spice and hints of vanilla. This medium-bodied Shiraz has soft silky tannins and a finish that continues to give.