



# BROWN HILL

## 2018 Ivanhoe Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon



### Wine Specs

Vintage:	2018
Varietal:	Cabernet Sauvignon
Harvest:	12 <sup>th</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2018
Acid:	6.2 g/L
pH:	3.7
Bottled:	November 2019
Alcohol:	14.0%

### Tasting Notes

Colour:	Dark Crimson
Nose:	Blueberries and liquorice backed with vanilla notes
Palate:	Vibrant blackcurrant, mulberries, with black olives and a hint of cassis.
Cellar:	10 years

### Vineyard Notes

Many critics already regard 2018 as one of Margaret River's best in decades. A higher than average yield meant that some early fruit thinning was required to keep the vines in balance however reliably warm, dry weather through the season provided the luxury of a low risk year. Lacking other pressures, grapes could be hand harvested at their ideal ripeness for the best flavours.

### Production Notes

The grapes were handpicked at a variety of ripeness levels over 14 days. The fruit was hand sorted, crushed and then transferred to fermentation tanks. After the completion of fermentation the wine was pressed off the skins and split between tanks and barrels to undergo malolactic fermentation. Once completed the wine was aged for 18 months in French oak barriques of which 35% were new.

### Food Pairing Notes

Char grilled eye fillet with field mushroom sauce.

Senior Winemaker: Nathan Bailey

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