

2018 White Label Cabernet Merlot

The Alkoomi vineyards and winery are located in the Frankland River district of Western Australia's Great Southern wine region. The name is taken from local aboriginal dialect and means 'a place we chose' and the logo represents the unique and distinctively Australian Grass tree, *Xanthorrhoea preissii*. The first plantings were in 1971 and the region's long, cool ripening conditions are perfect for growing fruit of intense varietal character.



Winemaking

This wine was made with Frankland River fruit from several blocks, picked at optimal ripeness to give depth of flavour. Harvested in the early hours of the morning, the fruit was cold soaked prior to fermentation and then matured for 12 months with French oak to build complexity.

Vintage

A dry Winter and fleeting Spring was followed by a warm growing season with welcome rainfall in December and January leading to full, healthy canopies enabling excellent yields and great flavour development.

Colour

Deep crimson with ruby flecks.

Nose

Lifted aromas of cassis, blueberry, bay leaf and dusty savoury notes.

Palate

Rich flavours of cassis, blueberry and chocolate lead to a medium body with leafy, tobacco like layers and fine grained, supple tannins.

Cellaring

Ready to enjoy now, although will gain complexity over the next three to five years with careful cellaring.

Alcohol

14.5%

