

**2016**  
**XANADU EXMOOR**  
**SAUVIGNON BLANC SEMILLON**

VARIETY: 63% Sauvignon Blanc 35% Semillon 2% Muscadelle

REGION: Margaret River, W.A.

TECHNICAL: pH: 3.23  
Alc.: 13.0% v/v  
TA: 7.1g/L  
Free SO<sub>2</sub>: 38 ppm  
Residual Sugar: 0.42 g/L  
VA: 0.21g/L  
Total SO<sub>2</sub>: 128 ppm

**TASTING NOTES**

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COLOUR: Pale straw with slight green tinge.

BOUQUET: The vibrant bouquet exhibits fresh passionfruit and citrus characters, with dried herbs and hints of lemon sherbet in the background.

PALATE: Medium bodied, the zesty palate offers freshly squeezed lemon/lime flavours combined with tropical fruits and a touch of spice. An easy drinking 'Classic' Margaret River wine style with wonderful purity – crunchy, fruit driven, lip-smacking dry with crisp acidity and a clean refreshing finish.

CELLARING POTENTIAL:  
A 'drink now' style - best consumed while bright and youthful.

**VINTAGE CONDITIONS**

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The growing season began with an early budburst after a relatively mild winter with reasonable rainfall. The beautiful spring weather which followed which led to good flowering/fruit set and improved yields for most varieties in the region. Fine, warm weather during summer saw sugar accumulation accelerate quickly in the whites, until a significant rain event mid-January stalled the ripening process until the fine weather returned soon after. While the unusual January rain did present some challenges in the vineyard, it was certainly welcomed by the reds which were just beginning veraison. The warm, dry weather throughout February was fantastic, ensuring the whites achieved flavour ripeness and enabling the reds to attain flavour and tannin ripeness at full physiological maturity.

**WINEMAKING**

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The fruit was crushed, destemmed and chilled before pressing. The settled, clean juice was then fermented at 15°C in stainless steel tanks using aromatic yeast strains to retain fresh varietal characteristics. The final components are then selected and assembled prior to stabilisation and bottling under screw cap closure.

