

**2012  
XANADU STEVENS ROAD  
CABERNET SAUVIGNON**



## REVIEWS

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### 97 Points

**James Halliday**

*James Halliday Australian Wine Companion 2016*

Alcohol 14% From Block 3, crushed/destemmed to open fermenters, hand-plunged for 7 days, matured in French barriques (40% new) for 14 months, final blend assembled, then 2 more months in used French oak. Has that X-factor of Stevens Road, with a fragrance, purity and clarity of varietal fruit that needs no elaboration in the winery beyond that which it receives

### 97 Points

**Tyson Stelzer**

*Wine Business Monthly, May 2015*

Dark chocolate oak and beautifully pure, deep blackcurrant and black cherry fruit invigorate and propel each other to form a compact and dense yet lithe and streamlined style of breathtaking precision, displaying the refined grace that defines this vineyard.

### 96 Points

**Tyson Stelzer**

*Wine Business Monthly, July/August 2015*

Embodies the persona of the most enduring Cabernets with impeccable balance and alluring refinement even in youth. Margaret River Cabernet of text book character and refined grace. Enticing complexity and elegant allure. Fragrant perfume lingers through a refined finish, underlined by a bright acidity and well-poised tannins.

### 94 Points

**Gary Walsh, [www.winefront.com.au](http://www.winefront.com.au) April 2015**

Good with penne all'arrabbiata, served on a tray that's not wet. Iodine, plum and mixed berries, bay leaf and chocolate. Medium bodied, supple with fine dense cocoa tannin, boysenberry flavour, a little spice, sweet fruit and shapely tannin to close. Balanced and juicy, with a bit of sexiness thrown in for good measure.

### 93 Points

**Huon Hooke, [huonhooke.com](http://huonhooke.com), May 2015**

Deep red/purple colour, fresh and youthful looking. The bouquet is likewise fresh and young, with good depth and concentration, the tannins smooth and ripe and abundant throughout the palate. Long-lasting finish. Delicious ripeness, clean and pure and fine. A wine of real elegance and style, balanced and long.

## AWARDS

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**TROPHY, Margaret River Wine Show 2014**