

A tiny vineyard in Margaret River tended to with exceptional care and attention to detail by Will Berliner, who in his third career, seems to have found his niche. The vineyard is fully biodynamic, and the Cloudburst wines I have tasted to date do actually deliver the nervy, energetic brightness and presence sought after by those who adopt this philosophy. They're not cheap, but they are amongst our very finest. I can honestly state that I have never, ever tasted a first group of releases from any winery – Australian or from elsewhere – at this level of quality.

## Cloudburst Chardonnay

Margaret River

Latest Vintage: 2014



\$200+

97/100

19.2/20

A superlative, gentle Puligny-like chardonnay of remarkable poise and brightness. Its complex, rather wild and nougat-like bouquet of white peach, melon, sweet vanilla oak, grilled nuts and meaty undertones is lifted by scents of dried flowers and a waxy note. Exceptionally long and supple, with a mouthwatering translucency, its brightly flavoured but unctuous palate moves with richness and elegance towards a savoury, smoky and faintly toasty finish.

Vintage	Score/100	Score/20	Year To Drink
2014	97	19.2	2022-2026+
2013	95	18.8	2021-2025+
2012	96	19.1	2020-2024+

# Cloudburst Cabernet Sauvignon

Margaret River

\$200+

Latest Vintage: 2013

96/100

19.1/20



A nervy, supple and reserved cabernet of style and elegance. Its heady, deeply floral bouquet of violets, cassis, blueberries, mulberries and dark cherries is tightly backed by sweet, fine-grained new cedary/chocolate French oak, revealing undertones of dried herbs and a possible whiff of malbec. Long, fine and deeply flavoured, its pristine, polished palate is supported by a tight, powdery astringency, unfolding layers of sour-edged dark berries and plums, becoming quite savoury and mineral towards its tightly focused finish.

Vintage	Score/100	Score/20	Year To Drink
2013	96	19.1	2033-2043
2012	96	19.0	2032-2042
2011	97	19.3	2031-2041

# Cloudburst Malbec

Margaret River

Latest Vintage: 2013

\$200+

97/100

19.3/20



An outstanding, great wine, that leaves me with an impression of something I might have tasted from Montalcino in Tuscany. It could not be any further apart from my previous Australian impression of malbec. Deeply perfumed, it reveals a translucently bright bouquet of dark cherries, plums and blackberries, measured cedary/chocolatey oak and a hit of blueberry. It's long, incredibly intense and sour-edged, with a remarkable purity of sour-edged dark fruits extending with amazing length and freshness over a tight, drying spine of powdery tannins towards a long, focused finish of nervy acids, savoury qualities and mineral undertones. And there is no way this note does true justice to this wine.

Vintage	Score/100	Score/20	Year To Drink
2013	97	19.4	2025-2033+
2012	96	19.1	2024-2032+