

Fraser Gallop

A poised and elegant Cabernet Sauvignon from Wilyabrup, this wine captures the hallmark finesse of Margaret River with textural grace and layered complexity.

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Estate Parterre Cabernet Sauvignon 2019

Margaret River, Australia

Region and Vineyards

The **2019 Parterre Cabernet Sauvignon** is produced by **Fraser Gallop Estate**, located in the prized **Wilyabrup subregion** of Margaret River, Western Australia. This area is recognised for its classic **gravelly loam soils**, maritime influence, and ideal conditions for **Bordeaux varietals**, particularly Cabernet Sauvignon.

Crucially, the estate uses the **Houghton clone**, a historically significant Cabernet clone in Western Australia known for its **supple texture, red fruit vibrancy, and powerful yet graceful structure**. The 2019 vintage benefited from a cooler ripening period, producing fruit with **refined tannins, moderate alcohol, and layered aromatics**. The harvest took place between **4–17 April 2019**, with careful vineyard management to optimise ripeness and varietal expression.

Winemaking

Each parcel of hand-picked fruit was **destemmed and chilled**, then fermented in **closed-top fermenters** with daily turbopigeage (jet-pumping over). The batch was split into three portions, each handled differently to enhance **complexity and depth**:

- One portion was pressed early and fermented to dryness in oak,
- Another was pressed post-ferment for fruit purity,
- The third remained on skins for **40 days post-ferment**, contributing structure and richness.

The wine then spent **18 months in French oak barrels**, one-third of which were new. It was **racked once** and topped every four weeks, promoting gentle integration of oak and tannin. The blend comprises **85% Cabernet Sauvignon**, **8% Malbec**, **5% Petit Verdot**, and **2% Cabernet Franc**, offering aromatic lift and textural nuance.

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Tasting Notes

- **Color**: Ruby red with crimson hues.
- **Aroma**: A savoury bouquet featuring nori sheet, bay leaf, roasted capsicum, cedar, and earthy undertones, alongside delicate red berry notes.
- **Palate**: Medium-bodied with a juicy mid-palate of plum and mulberry. Soft, grainy tannins and balanced acidity provide structure, while subtle oak frames the fruit. The finish is long and harmonious.

Did you know?

This wine showcases the **Houghton clone**, a Cabernet strain originally selected in the 19th century and prized for its elegance and aromatic clarity. It is a defining feature of Western Australia's best Cabernet Sauvignons and key to the distinct style of Fraser Gallop.

Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Rosemary-crusted lamb rack** – complements the wine's savoury notes and medium-bodied structure.
- **Roast duck with cherry glaze** – mirrors the wine's juicy red fruit and gentle spice.
- **Stuffed bell peppers with lentils and herbs** – pairs well with the earthy and capsicum elements.
- **Aged cheddar or Manchego** – highlights the cedar and bay leaf character while softening the tannins.

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Robert Parker (RP) : 94 Points (2019)

The 2019 Parterre Cabernet Sauvignon is juicy, bright and beautiful. The style at Fraser Gallop errs toward earlier picks, although the 14% alcohol on the label coupled with the ripe fruit in the mouth suggests that, in this cool year, picking was "when ripe." This is a delicious wine that routinely offers brilliant value-for-money drinking and a very elegant Cabernet experience. It is composed of 85% Cabernet Sauvignon, 8% Malbec, 5% Petit Verdot and 2% Cabernet Franc.