

ARLEWOOD VILLAGGIO #3 RED 2021

AWARDS:

Ray Jordan's Top 100 Reds 2023

"Designed as a ready to go easy drinking wine. It is so beautifully structured with its light to medium body toting plenty of flavour intensity. It's a blend of 75% cabernet with the balance merlot. It's silky smooth with a leafy mineral component merging with the red fruits. Excellent for now."

Score: 92/100

The Villaggio red is a blend, primarily from Cabernet Sauvignon with components of Merlot and Chardonnay grown on the Estate vineyard in Forest Grove. The Villaggio range is a salute to the European 'Village' wines that offer tremendous value for money. A wine for weeknights, long table dinners and when friends drop by.

The nose displays a mix of blue and black fruits – blackcurrant, blackberry and blueberry with underlying seasoned French oak. A fruit forward Cabernet Sauvignon driven blend that exhibits fleshy tannins, black fruit - blackberry, blackcurrant and blueberry. The flavours are well supported by spicy, seasoned French oak characters and a savoury complexity.

Tasting note

Colour:

Fruit Source: Margaret River - 100% Arlewood Estate Forest Grove Vineyard

Vintage: 2021

Production: 585 dozen

Food Pairing:

Cellaring: Enjoy now or cellar to 2025

Technical Details

Variety: 70% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Merlot, 10% Chardonnay

Winemaker: Stuart Pym

Alcohol: 13.5 %

Maturation: Components of the final blend were harvested, fermented and aged separately. The red components were left on skins for 15 days and plunged down twice daily to build palate weight and structure. The wine was aged in seasoned French oak for 10 months.