



LARRY CHERUBINO

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# The Yard

## 2008 PEDESTAL SEMILLON SAUVIGNON BLANC

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**The Vintage:** An outstanding vintage with fruit achieving maximum flavour and maturity.

**The Winemaking:** The Semillon and Sauvignon Blanc parcels were picked at maximum flavour over several weeks to ensure that all of the various soil types and aspects of the vineyard were fully exploited. Fruit was hand picked and destemmed with some skin contact for up to 12 hours. Free run and pressing fractions were separated with 1/3 of the juice parcels going into new Bordeaux style French oak for 4 months and the balance to stainless steel. All of the parcels were fermented using natural yeasts only and battonage was carried up until bottling. The wine was prepared for bottling in September 2008 to ensure that the fruit balance was at a maximum and the resulting texture and softness was at an optimum to display the vineyard and fruit characteristics.

**The Wine:** This wine has aromas and flavours in the savoury spectrum. Pea pod with underlying grassiness and intensity. There is a textural component to the wine, which is in part due to the partial oak fermentation, and this also adds an extra layer of complexity. With a clean zippy acid structure and summery freshness this wine is easily enjoyed with or without food. Perfect for those looking for a food friendly multi-layered expression of this classic Margaret River blend. Fruit characters will also develop well over the next 12 – 18 months.

**Drink With:** Oysters or Sashimi.

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Winemaker	Larry Cherubino	Technical Data:	
Vineyard	Pedestal	Geographical Indication	Margaret River, Willyabrup
Year Planted	1997	Variety	Semillon 67%
Location	Willyabrup		Sauvignon Blanc 33%
Vines per Hectare	1800	Picking Date	12-30 February 2008
Irrigation	yes	Sugar at Picking	11-12.5 Baume'
Clone/s	Unknown	Alcohol	13.0% v/v
Rootstock	Own	pH	3.35
Aspect	South Facing	Total Acidity	7.56g/L
Soils	Deep Gravels over clay	Residual Sugar	0.0g/L
		Bottled	September 2008
		Cellaring Potential	7-10 years

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