

## Madfish Cabernet Shiraz 2001

The wild setting of Madfish Bay in the far southern reaches of Western Australia is tranquil and untouched, characteristics mirrored in the pure, fresh, fruit driven Madfish wines. Often seen gracing the tables of cafes and at backyard barbeques from Broome to Rottnest Island on the coast of Western Australia, Madfish wines offer a contemporary, cool climate style with an emphasis on enjoyment and drinkability.

### REGION

Great Southern, Pemberton, Margaret River

### WINEMAKING

The 54% cabernet sauvignon and 46% shiraz grapes for this wine were sourced from the Great Southern and Margaret River regions of Western Australia. The grapes were harvested at night, fermented in open topped stainless steel tanks with twice daily pumpovers to aid skin contact and maximise flavour and colour development. These separate batches were matured in 100% French oak barriques for 12 months prior to blending and bottling.

### COMMENTS

The exceptional quality of fruit for this wine is what has made it so unique. Crimson red with brilliant clarity, the MadFish Cabernet Sauvignon / Shiraz 2000 blends the noble cabernet sauvignon with boisterous shiraz. The resultant nose displays cassis, ripe plummy fruits and white pepper. The palate has a firm structure with rich, fleshy fruit and dusty tannins and long length. Reminiscent of a Rhone style wine, it is an elegant example of a blend very popular in Australia.