

SHERIE READ

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

A fully qualified winemaker with ten years experience in the wine industry, I worked at a small family-owned estate while studying at Curtin University. This experience enabled me to learn about vineyard management and small batch winemaking. Over the subsequent six years, I worked at a much larger estate where quality control and efficiency were paramount. These diverse roles have equipped me with a versatile skill set which I now offer on a casual basis.

2016 & 2018 TO 2023

XANADU WINES, MARGARET RIVER

LABORATORY SUPERVISOR, CELLAR HAND & CELLAR DOOR MANAGER

- All aspects of cellar management for predominantly Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon
- Three years of harvest experience
- Laboratory analysis of juice and wines
- Preparations for bottling including stability trials and quality checks
- Enzymatic analysis, acidity testing, sulphur determination, alcohol measures
- Year-round cellar operations including racking, filtering, and wine evaluations
- Three years managing Cellar Door operations with five staff retained for an extended duration

FEBRUARY 2020 TO PRESENT

MOUNT LANGI GHIRAN, GRAMPIANS VICTORIA

WINEMAKER (MATERNITY LEAVE COVER)

- Daily workload planning
- Grape sampling and harvest decision making with the viticulture team
- Managing and training of four vintage casuals
- Assimilate with permanent cellar hands to gain trust and respect
- Winery and vintage software preparations for contract and own fruit intake
- Stock and additive ordering for vintage
- Daily supervision and problem solving of winery operations

VINTAGE 2018 & 2019

NYETIMBER, WEST SUSSEX UK

PREMIUM ENGLISH SPAKLING PRODUCER

NIGHTSHIFT SUPERVISOR

- Pressing centre nightshift supervisor
- Planning of press loads and fruit allocation to optimise press cycles and tank space
- Managing ten vintage casuals with five specific roles and work areas
- Oversee the running of six presses, automated loading systems and many working parts
- Problem solving, mitigating risks to employees and equipment

VINEYARD HAND

- Pruning season work through to fruit set of 25 hectares
- Pruning styles, VSP, Scott Henry, arched canes, spur and cane pruned
- Supervision of an international workforce of six staff
- Young vine training, canopy management, thinning, shoot positioning and training

2013 TO 2017

ADINFERN ESTATE, COWARAMUP

WINEMAKER/VINEYARD/CELLAR HAND/CELLAR DOOR

- Year-round vineyard maintenance of 18 Acres
- Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Malbec, Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz, Semillon, Sauvignon Blanc
- Small batch winemaking using a basket press
- Production of all white and red varieties in single varietals and blended wines
- Property maintenance including fences, gardens and buildings
- Cellar Door sales and liaising with the owners about marketing and business operations

EDUCATION

COMPLETED 2017

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BACHELOR OF VITICULTURE AND OENOLOGY

CURTIN UNIVERSITY PERTH WESTERN AUSTRALIA

EXPIRY 2025

APPROVED MANAGER

ST JOHNS FIRST AID CERTIFICATE

ACHIEVEMENTS

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- Margaret River Cellar Door Managers Committee Chairperson from 2021-2023
- Steward of the James Halliday Chardonnay & Cabernet Challenge 2019/2021/2022
- Steward of the Margaret River Wine Show 2015/2016/2017/2021
- Finalist for the Sydney Royal Wine Scholarship 2016
- Steward of the Sydney Royal Wine Show 2016
- Steward of Mount Barker Wine Show 2016/2017

TRADE SHOWS



- Domain Wine Shippers Trade Show August 2023
- Urban Wine Walk January 2023
- Dan Murphy's Busselton producer tasting December 2022