



## THE MAITRE D' CABERNET SAUVIGNON

### 2018 Tech Sheet



**MARQUIS FRUIT WEIGHT**  
*Our guarantee of quality*

**Required: 65% - 75% Actual: 68%**

Marquis Fruit Weight™ is the percentage of your palate (from the tip of your tongue going all the way back) that's covered by the velvety sensation of fruit, before you experience any of the structural components of the wine.

#### Vineyards

*McLaren Vale:*

Coppermine Road, Long Gully Road  
& Ryan Road

Sustainably Grown

Picked 18<sup>th</sup> March– 29<sup>th</sup> March

Barrel fermented and matured:

83% American; 17% French

34% new; 51% one year old; 15% two year old

Alc/Vol: 15.5%

Residual sugar: 0.7

pH: 3.64

RRP: \$30

Vegan Friendly

Who is **The Maitre D'**?

The Maitre D' was named after Sparky, who put himself through winemaking college as a left handed waiter.

#### Vintage Report

Starting early March, the 2018 Vintage can be defined by the even ripening that lead to great fermentation conditions. The grapes came into the winery at a steady pace with excellent colour and breadth of flavour shown as soon as the fruit was first crushed. Ferments were easily controlled allowing efficient extraction of tannins and flavours from the skins during pump-overs. Malolactic fermentation moved quickly during the oak maturation phase to reveal the intensity and depth of character of the wines which will be the hall mark of 2018 Vintage.

#### Winemaker Tasting Notes

The deep blend of red and purple colours and abundant aromas introduce the depth of this Cabernet. Rich and complex in flavour, notes of cherry and blackberry transition to green herbs, bramble and mocha all the while maintaining a dimension of sweet fruit. Soft and smooth on the palate, the 2018 Maitre D' balances flavour and structure perfectly.

#### Awards

2018	WS 91
2017	WS 92
2016	WA 90; WS 90; Winestate 4.5 stars
2015	WS 90; Winestate 4 stars
2014	WS 90; Winestate 4 stars
2013	WS 92
2012	WS 90 and 'Top Value Wine'
2010	WA 90; WS 90
2008	WA 90
2007	WA 92
2006	WA 91 and 'Excellent Value under \$25'
2005	WA 92 and 'Best Buy under \$20'; WS 90