



## **2010 The Scooter Merlot**



### **About This Wine**

Deep violet in colour, The Scooter offers a perfumed nose, intense with red fruits, cherries and plum. The rich fruit is followed by layers of spice, chocolate and wonderful fragrant oak. This wine is well balanced, round and giving, showing generous ripe fruit and soft tannins producing an outstanding Australian Merlot.

Named after Sparky's scooter-racing years, when he would race 30 kilometres on a big-tyre scooter.

The grapes were grown on the Gemtree and Mollydooker vineyards in McLaren Vale.

Barrel fermented and matured in 90% American and 10% French oak using 20% new and 80% one year old barrels.

Alc: 15.5%    Residual sugar: 3.2g/L    pH: 3.59

**Marquis Fruit Weight** (your guarantee of quality)  
70%

### **Reviews**

#### ***Wine Advocate***

'Very deep garnet-purple colored, the 2010 The Scooter Merlot gives pronounced notes of warm plums, blackberry preserves, coconut and baking spices plus a whiff of toasty cedar. Ripe, concentrated and voluptuous in the mouth, it offers tons of vanilla and spice flavors, a medium level of velvety tannins, medium-high acid and a long finish. Drinking beautifully now, it should cellar to 2016+.' – 90 points, Lisa Perrotti-Brown, [www.erobertparker.com](http://www.erobertparker.com)

### **Previous vintages**

2009 The Scooter - WA 90 pts

*2010 South Australian Wine of the Year Awards*

Winner of the Consumers Choice Award in the 'Other Reds' category

2008 The Scooter - WA 90 pts

2007 The Scooter - WA 91 pts

2006 The Scooter - WA 91 pts & 'Excellent Value under \$25'