



2011 The Maitre D Cabernet Sauvignon



Excerpt of the winemaking team's tasting notes

I love this Cabernet for its sweet varietal fruit and the generous, creamy mouth feel. It is seamlessly balanced with smooth tannins, integrated spicy notes and intense fruit characters of fresh raspberries, blackcurrant, nutmeg and cloves, followed up with the power of licorice, black cherry and vanilla. It is so good! *Matt*

This wine is named after Sparky, who earned money to put himself through winemaking college as a left-handed Maitre D'.

Technical notes

The grapes were grown on the Mollydooker vineyards in McLaren Vale.
Barrel fermented and matured in 83% American and 17% French oak using 52% new and 48% one year old barrels.

Alc: 15% Residual sugar: 3.4g/L pH: 3.8

Marquis Fruit Weight – your guarantee of quality.

Required: 65-70%

Actual: 69%

Past vintages

2010 The Maitre D – WA 90 pts; WS 90 pts

2008 The Maitre D - WA 90 pts

2007 The Maitre D - WA 92 pts

2006 The Maitre D - WA 91 pts and 'Excellent Value under \$25'

2005 The Maitre D - WA 92 pts and 'Best Buy under \$20'; WS 90 pts