2012 Tech Sheet

MARQUIS FRUIT WEIGHT
Our guarantee of quality

Required: 65% - 70% Actual: 70%

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.

Wine Name: The Maitre D'
Vintage: 2012
Country: Australia

Region: 94% McLaren Vale;
6% Langhorne Creek, South Australia

Grape Varietal: Cabernet Sauvignon

Barrel fermented and matured:
79% American oak; 21% French
42% new; 58% one year old

Alc/Vol: 15.5%
Residual sugar: 4.8
pH: 3.76

Production: 3,999 doz

RRP: $25

Label: The Maitre D' is Sparky, who put himself through winemaking college as a left handed Maitre D'.

The parcels of wine in the The Maitre D' come from the McLaren Vale grapes from the red soils of our Coppermine Rd block, harvested on 29th March and from our Long Gully Rd block, harvested on 5th April. They give richness and substance. We blended them with the exquisite fragrant Cabernet we made from Darren and Belinda Joppich's block in Langhorne Creek which we harvested on the 28th March.

Scores & Reviews

Dark, dense and mildly chewy, bursting with black coffee-accented blackberry and black cherry flavors, persisting on the expressive, ripe finish. Drink now through 2020. *Harvey Steiman, Wine Spectator*

Deep garnet-purple in color, the 2012 The Maitre D' Cabernet Sauvignon presents aromas of blackcurrant cordial, blackberry preserves and cloves with hints of baking spices and vanilla. Very big and very full, the palate is a little compacted though offers great richness framed by low to medium level chewy tannins and a long finish. Drink it now to 2018+. *Lisa Perrotti-Brown, Wine Advocate*

2012	WS 90 pts
2010	WA 90 pts; WS 90 pts
2008	WA 90 pts
2007	WA 92 pts
2006	WA 91 pts and 'Excellent Value under $25'
2005	WA 92 pts and 'Best Buy under $20'; WS 90 pts