



## THE SCOOTER MERLOT

### 2013 Tech Sheet

The grapes for The Scooter come from McLaren Vale – from our own sustainable Long Gully Road block and the biodynamic Gemtree Vineyards. Gemtree have grown for us for 10 years using our Vineyard Watering Program. We use 90% American and 10% French oak when fermenting and maturing wine. It has developed a lovely silky texture and velvety tannins.



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

**Required: 65% - 70% Actual: 69%**

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.

### Winemaker's tasting notes

A Merlot with brilliant red colour and a fragrant cherry and plum nose, mouth filling berry fruit on the palette with mocha and spice lingering along the tongue. The 2013 Scooter has racy acid that really brightens the fruit, a vibrant and perfumed wine with great plummy intensity. The tannins are soft and supple while the subtle oak compliments the abundant fruit. Balanced yet expressive the Scooter is joyous and enjoyable. *Matt Walker-Brown*

### Scores

2012	Winestate 4 stars
2010	WA 90 pts
2009	WA 90 pts; South Australian Wine of the Year Awards; Winner of the Consumers Choice Award in the 'Other Reds' category
2008	WA 90 pts
2007	WA 91 pts
2006	WA 91 pts & 'Excellent Value under \$25'

Wine Name: The Scooter  
Vintage: 2013  
Country: Australia

Region: 92% McLaren Vale; 8% Langhorne  
Creek, South Australia

Grape Varietal: Merlot  
Sustainably Grown

Picked: 12<sup>th</sup> March - 10<sup>th</sup> April

Barrel fermented and matured:  
90% American oak; 10% French  
35% new; 65% one year old

Alc/Vol: 17%  
Residual sugar: 3.4  
pH: 3.61

Production: 3,469 doz  
RRP: \$28

Label: The Scooter is Sparky, who used to  
race 30 kilometers on a big tyre scooter.