THE SCOOTER MERLOT

2018 Tech Sheet

MARQUIS FRUIT WEIGHT
Our guarantee of quality

Required: 65% - 75%   **Actual: 67%**

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:
Long Gully Road

Sustainably Grown
Picked 5th April

Barrel fermented and matured:
90% American, 10% French
30% New, 55% one year old, 15% two year old

Alc/Vol: 15%
Residual sugar: 0.5
pH: 3.55

RRP: $30

Vegan Friendly

Who is **The Scooter**?
The Scooter was named after Sparky, who raced a big tyre scooter when he was younger.

Vintage Report

With much our fruit reaching the colour and flavour we strive for from the end of February, 2019 started early and extremely intensely. Once the grapes started coming into the Winery the workload was heavy with work around the clock to ensure the fruit was fermented during the perfect window of ripeness, lasting only 5 weeks of fermenting on skins, this was a condensed Vintage.

The ferments were cooled to allow time on grape skins to extract the flavours and tannins from that was developed in the vineyard. Once in barrels the wines finished ferment and began maturation then the full spectrum of flavours began to shine through.

Winemaker Tasting Notes

Brilliant Ruby in colour with a bright cherry and violet nose, the 2018 Scooter is tantalising from the outset. The first sip fills the palate with intense red fruit like raspberries and fresh plum. As these vibrant flavours continue to develop on the palate, soft tannins complement notes of mocha and dried herbs, creating a unique Merlot.

Awards
2017	WS 90
2016	WS 90; Winestate 4 stars
2014	Winestate 4.5 stars
2012	Winestate 4 stars
2010	WA 90
2009	WA 90; South Australian Wine of the Year Awards; Winner of the Consumers Choice Award in the 'Other Reds' category
2008	WA 90
2007	WA 91
2006	WA 91 & 'Excellent Value under $25'