



2008 The Maitre D'
Cabernet Sauvignon

WA: 90 pts

About This Wine

Classic Cabernet characteristics of dark berry, scorched earth and menthol combine with plush fruit, liquorice, oak vanillian and spice. It is a joy to drink from the first glass to the last.

Barrel fermented and matured in 50% new and 50% one year old American & French oak.

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

Tasting notes:

***Wine Advocate* – 90 points**

'Opaque purple-colored with legs that ooze down the glass, it displays a reticent bouquet that with coaxing reveals wood smoke, violets, black currant and blackberry. This is followed by a full-bodied wine with a glossy texture, succulent fruit, and excellent concentration...' – Jay Miller, erobertparker.com

Wine Spectator

'Ripe and open-textured, with dark berry and root beer flavors, echoing with spicy oak on the finish. Drink now through 2012.' - Harvey Steiman, winespectator.com

2007 WA 92 pts

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

2005 WA 92 pts & 'Best Buy under \$20'; WS 90 pts

Pairs with:

Summer grilling and winter roasts, we love this wine with a grass-fed beef flank salad, grilled summer vegetables or a simple salad with blue cheese and bacon.

Label:

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

Vineyards:

Longbottom vineyard in Padthaway

Alc: 16% **Residual sugar:** 3.4g/L **pH:** 3.57

