CAPE MENTELLE CHARDONNAY 2009



JEREMY OLIVER'S AUSTRALIAN WINE ANNUAL 2011 95 POINTS

"Finely crafted, balanced and elegant, with pristine aromas of melon, peach and grapefruit tightly knit with sweet tight-grained vanilla and clove-like oak, backed by undertones of ginger, cinnamon, minerals and smoky, leesy complexity ... finishing long, bright and assertive."

RAY JORDAN'S 2011 WEST AUSTRALIAN WINE GUIDE 96 POINTS

"The chardonnays of Cape Mentelle continue to evolve and this is another superb wine. Minerally and creamy aromas with leesy toasty grapefruit characters. The palate displays a deep intensity with texture and richness held tightly with excellent oak and crisp acid. A most complex wine."

WEEKEND AUSTRALIAN, JAMES HALLIDAY 95 POINTS DECEMBER 2010

"A prime example of "modern classic" Australian chardonnay, picked at a relatively low baumé, the winemaking designed to focus all the attention on the fruit flavour. Light, bright straw-green; has the Cape Mentelle stamp all over it, a minerally intensity and finesse to the steel core around which the peach and nectarine fruit is wrapped, itself with a fine veneer of French oak; has great length."

AUSTRALIAN GOURMET TRAVELLER WINE, BOB CAMPBELL DECEMBER 2010

"2009 Cape Mentelle Chardonnay falls clearly into this 'best' category. This wine announces its quality from the moment you smell it, and reinforces the impression from there ... giving the wine's natural power a sense of sophistication. It looks bright and shiny in the glass and the persistence of each sip is one of the wine's strong points. I'm an unabashed chardonnay fan, and it's wine like this that made me so."

