
CAPE MENTELLE

CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2008



THE WEST AUSTRALIAN WINE GUIDE 2012, RAY JORDAN, 2012

98 POINTS

“ This is a great cabernet that perfectly captures the essence of the excellent vintage, the character of the vineyard and the distinctive style of Margaret River. Dusty oak and black olive characters on the nose. The palate is perfectly poised with fine firm tannins, silky fine grained oak and fruit of extraordinary intensity and finesse. This is a wine that sits comfortably in the highest echelon of Australian cabernets.”

WINE TASTE WEEKLY, TYSON STELZER, FEBRUARY 2012

97 POINTS

“We’ve all been waiting with bated breath, for just what Rob Mann is capable of in Margaret River. Here it is, his third vintage, the season from the gods, every single berry individually selected, in slick new livery. A classical but low yielding year has produced gravelly, graphite-like tannins of Bordeaux classed-growth proportions, promising longevity to match. Seamless black- and redcurrants, cedar, tobacco, dark chocolate, coffee bean and cocoa never deviate from medium-bodied aspirations, while subtly, accurately capturing the concentration and precision of the season. ”

THE WINE FRONT WEEKEND, GARY WALSH

96 POINTS

“All class. Redcurrant and blackcurrant, subtle choc-vanilla oak and a bay leaf perfume. It’s medium weight, lively and fresh with finely etched pixelated tannin and impressive flow and length. A second day’s tasting revealed more complex, savoury earthy mineral flavours. It seems to have been picked just on the cusp of perfect ripeness to balance flavour with freshness. And I’m on the cusp too, caught between a 95 and 96 point rating, although that’s not an uncomfortable situation in which to find oneself. I’d imagine it will cellar for a very long time.”

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