

2004 d'ARENBERG THE IRONSTONE PRESSINGS

Review Summary



94 pts "The flagship blend of Grenache, Shiraz, and Mourvedre, the 2004 The Ironstone Pressings, is stunning. A full-bodied, powerful red, it displays notes of kirsch, tapenade, blackberries, dusty loamy earth, pepper, and spice. Rich, structured, intense flavors cascade over the palate with fabulous fruit purity and density. This stunner should drink well for 12-15 years."

Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate
October 2006

91 pts "A blend of grenache, shiraz and mourvedre) Ruby-red. Inviting aromas of dark cherry, spiced plum and blueberry, with complicating notes of tobacco, black tea and smoked meat. There's excellent concentration here, with bright acids lifting the dark and red berry notes and chunky tannins providing a solid framework. With air this became sweeter and the tannins seemed to soften, allowing the lush berry flavors to really shine on the finish."

Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar Jul/Aug 2006

93 pts "More elegant than the '03; Grenache makes a bigger statement with juicy fruit; finishes with the fine tannins."

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