



2007 d'ARENBERG d'ARRY'S ORIGINAL

WINEMAKER:	Chester Osborn
REGION:	McLaren Vale, South Australia
VARIETALS:	Shiraz (50%), Grenache (50%)
MATURATION:	20 months in new & older French & American barriques
ALCOHOL:	14.5% alc/vol

THE ART OF BEING DIFFERENT:

This wine is named in honor of d'Arenberg's principal, Francis d'Arry d'Arenberg Osborn, whose winemaking career began at this family winery more than a half a century ago. d'Arry's blend, launched some four decades ago, continues as it began - a blend of Shiraz and Grenache sourced from d'Arenberg's own low-yielding, 19th century vineyards.

VINTAGE 2007:

Owing largely to drought and a warm start to summer, the 2007 vintage started extremely early. These conditions resulted in low yields through short shoot length and reduced berry and bunch sizes. A late-January downpour came as a welcome relief for many of the dry grown vineyards that contribute to d'Arry's Original while the warm weather that followed ripened fruit in low stress conditions.

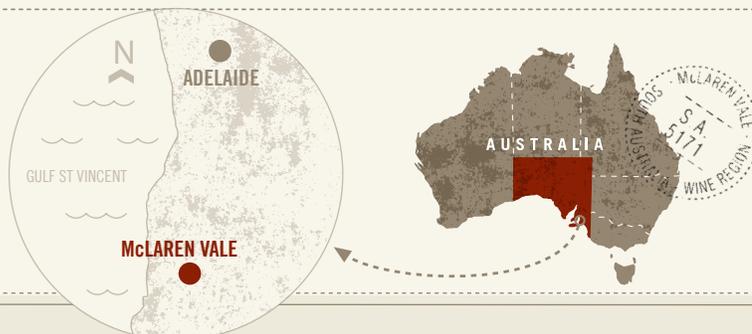
TASTING NOTES:

The lifted nose emits floral notes of violet and lavender with savory meatiness and spicy red fruits. A velvety palate with raspberry and boysenberry fruits builds to a back palate of subtle spice and cracked black pepper. The silky tannins and cinnamon notes provide for a long, refined finish.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 91 pts Stephen Tanzer, 88 pts Wine Spectator

ABOUT d'ARENBERG:

One of the undisputed kings of Australian Shiraz and Rhone varietals, d'Arenberg has managed to turn individuality into an art form by doing a whole lot of little things differently. The original vineyards were established by Joseph Osborn in 1912 in the McLaren Vale region of South Australia. A century on, the estate has grown to 345 acres, and the mantle now rests with fourth-generation winemaker Chester Osborn. By maintaining a focus on traditional winemaking and nurturing their old-vine material, the Osborn clan has successfully established themselves as one of the country's leading producers of concentrated, characterful wines. Ranked among Australia's Top 10 Shiraz producers by Wine & Spirits Magazine in July 2007, this reputation is clearly recognized worldwide.



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