



2008 PENLEY ESTATE CONDOR SHIRAZ CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Review Summary



90 pts “This opaque and very dark purple colored wine has a lot going for it and with a tad bit more structure and complexity I would have scored it 90 points. Regardless it is a Very Good classic Aussie fruit bomb. It opens with a blackberry liquor bouquet with a hint of new leather. On the palate, this wine is full bodied, very smooth, lush and rich. The flavor profile is an extracted blackberry jam with notes of black raspberry and a hint of oak. The finish is dry and its fine tannins are a bit sticky and linger. Pair this fruit bomb with a rack of messy ribs. Enjoy.”

Ken Hoggins
Ken's Wine Guide
July 25, 2011

90 pts “Penley Estate’s 2008 Condor Shiraz Cabernet displays a medium-deep garnet-purple color with intensely minty/eucalyptus notes over blackberry conserve and crème de cassis with just a suggestion of chocolate dust. Very crisp and concentrated in the mouth, the full bodied palate has a medium level of grainy tannins and plenty of juicy fruit that lingers through the long finish. Drink it now to 2016+.”

Lisa Perrotti-Brown
Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate
October 2010

89 pts “Bright ruby. Aromatic nose combines ripe black fruits, mocha, violet and cracked pepper. Suave and sweet on entry, then ripe and chewy in the mid-palate, with good dark fruit and vanillin oak intensity and supple framing tannins. Rich but not at all heavy, finishing with very good clarity and lingering sweetness.”

Josh Raynolds
Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar
July/August 2010

“Complex aromas of ripe fruit, all kinds of berry notes, black pepper, spice and a little vanilla. This is a smooth tasting wine featuring juicy blackberry flavors and a bit of oak. It offers a rich flavor with a nice mouth-coating texture. The finish? Well, let's just say this is my kind of finish with wonderful spicy tannins that last and last and some yummy underlying blackberry fruit. Delicious!”

Jon Thorson
The Reverse Wine Snob Blog
November 4, 2011