



2008 PENLEY ESTATE
HYLAND SHIRAZ
Review Summary



90 pts/Editors' Choice/#71: Top 100 New Zealand/Australian Wines 2011 "This is a full-bodied, reasonably lush example of Coonawarra Shiraz, with hints of mint and pepper accenting bright berry fruit. Despite the 15% abv, there's no apparent heat, just increased volume. Drink now–2020."

Joe Czerwinski, Wine Enthusiast
October 2011

89 pts "Glass-staining ruby. High-toned aromas of cassis and blackberry, with complicating notes of tobacco and mocha. Sweet but surprisingly nervy, offering sweet dark berry flavors and a spine of tangy acidity. Chewy tannins build with air and add shape to the nicely persistent, smoky finish."

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

88 pts "Spending 18 months in a combination of new and used oak barrels, the 2008 Penley Estate Shiraz Hyland is bright and floral on the nose, with strong lilac and violet aromas intermixed with raspberry, spice, cedar, and pepper. This leads to a medium bodied, well-balanced wine that carries good acidity, a firm, chewy texture, and plenty of length on the finish. It should drink well for 3-5 years."

Jeb Dunnuck, The Rhone Report
June 2011

88 pts "Crisp in texture, with any airy feel to the nicely focused blackberry and cherry fruit, sailing through the easy going finish."

Harvey Steiman, Wine Spectator
June 15, 2010

86 pts "Light color; modest medium-bodied wine, with ample flavor but not much drive or focus."

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion
2012



“A supple, spicy mix of blackberry and cherry fruit that is extraordinarily balanced and complex.”

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“The 2008 Penley Estate Hyland Coonawarra Shiraz begins with pleasant aromas of plum, blackberry and some other dark fruits. The wine tastes super smooth and silky with great dark fruit flavors. This one has maybe just a pinch of spice but really not nearly as much as you’d expect from a typical Shiraz. The fruit flavors flow through to the medium finish.”

**John Thorson, www.ReverseWineSnob.com
December 17, 2011**

“Deep, dark purplish red. Nice nose with spice, blackberry, and peppermint aromas. Blackberry, black cherry, black pepper, mint, and chocolate come through on the palate. Full-bodied and lively with velvety tannins. Well-balanced with a long, lingering finish.” Quality: 4.5 stars (out of 5) | QPR: 5 bangs for your buck (out of 5)

**WinePeeps.com - Australian Shiraz to Stock Your Cellar (or Fill a Stocking)
December 5, 2011**