



2008 d'ARENBERG THE STUMP JUMP RIESLING

WINEMAKER: Chester Osborn
REGION: McLaren Vale, South Australia
VARIETALS: Riesling
ANALYSIS: 13% alc/vol

BACKGROUND:

The name 'Stump Jump' relates to the significant South Australian invention – the Stump Jump plough. This plough became a popular piece of machinery for ploughing fields because of its ability to ride over stumps and gnarled "mallee" Eucalypt roots and snags, saving valuable time and resources by not stopping the draught horse.

THE VINTAGE:

In 2008, Riesling enjoyed fabulous conditions. Healthy rains in winter and spring allowed for stress free conditions from veraison to harvesting. Cool weather in February translated into intense flavor ripeness at low pH levels and high levels of natural acidity - perfect.

TASTING NOTES:

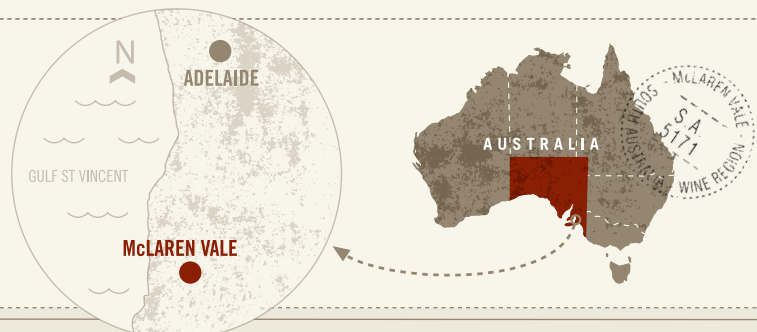
The Stump Jump Riesling is crisp and refreshing. The nose is inviting and full of passion fruit, limes, red apple and rose petals. The palate is juicy with crisp lime character initially present before it opens to lemons and a cascade of tropical fruits. The finish is fresh and clean with wonderfully integrated acidity.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM:

88 pts Wine Spectator, 87 pts - BEST BUY Wine & Spirits, 87 pts Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar

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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