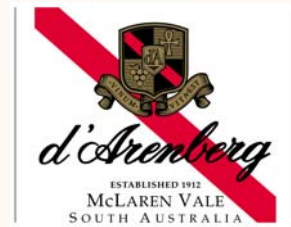




## 2009 d'ARENBERG THE LAST DITCH VIOGNIER

### Review Summary



**90 pts** “Light yellow. Deeply perfumed aromas of white peach, yellow plum, honeysuckle, smoky herbs and spices. Juicy and expansive, offering gently sweet pit and orchard fruit flavors and a touch of bitter lemon. Turns tighter with air and finishes with very good clarity and tangy persistence. This is pretty restrained for the variety, especially for an example from the New World.”

**Josh Reynolds**  
Stephen Tanzer’s International Wine Cellar  
July/August 2010

**90 pts** “It offers appealing aromas of mineral, peach, and apricot and lead to a creamy-textured, concentrated, intense Viognier with a lengthy finish.”

**Harvey Steiman**  
Wine Spectator  
June 4, 2010

**90 pts** “The first thing one notices about this wine is the feminine perfume that wafts from the glass. Nicely splitting the difference between the haunting flowers of Rhone Viognier and the fat tropical fruit of the ones from California, this bottling evokes honeyed aromas and flavors of unripe apricot, lime, lemon peel, and ginger. It is light and clean on the palate, finishing with a lingering taste of orange and nutmeg. This white is perfectly suited for a wide array of seafood, asian dishes, and even a fresh fruit salad.”

**WinelilnesOnline.com**  
December 8, 2011

**88 pts/Very Good/Strong Recommendation**

**Ultimate Wine Challenge 2011**

**87 pts** “Dried fig, straw and dried apricot can be found on the bouquet; juicy and forward, with tangy acidity to conclude.”

**James Halliday**  
Australian Wine Companion  
2012