



2004 d'ARENBERG THE FOOTBOLT Review Summary



90 pts “Ruby-red color. Youthful aromas of crushed blackberry, blackcurrant and cherry preserves. Fat, unctuous and sweet, the dark berry flavors taking on an almost confectionery quality, with nary an earth or herb tone to be found. Like liquefied black raspberry jam on the finish, with a velvety texture and a total absence of rough edges. Very good value.”

Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar
July/Aug 2006

87 pts “The backward 2004 Shiraz The Footbolt offers a deep ruby/purple color in addition to scents of black currants, licorice, roasted meats, and spicy herbs in its well-made, deep, medium to full-bodied, moderately tannic style. This effort will benefit from another year or so of bottle age, and should keep for 7-8.”

Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate
October 2006

87 pts “Firm and a bit muted, with earthy flavors more prominent than the modest cherry fruit.”

Wine Spectator
September 30, 2006

93 pts “Rich blackberry and licorice compote, with sweet fruit notes (not residual sugar); good line and texture; controlled oak.”

James Halliday
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