

## 2004 d'ARENBERG d'ARRY'S ORIGINAL

## **Review Summary**



**91 pts** "One of my consistent favorites from d'Arenberg is their d'Arry's Original, and the terrific 2004 is a super value. A dark ruby/purple color is accompanied by beautiful blackberry, cassis, cherry, and licorice scents with hints of Provencal herbs and pepper in the background. This medium to full-bodied, front end-loaded blend of Shiraz and Grenache possesses considerable fruit, body, and silky tannins as well as enough acidity to provide definition. Drink it over the next 3-4 years".

Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate
October 2006/#167

**90 pts** "Lithe and spicy, with a mild grip to the texture and a star anise note mingling with the cherry and pomegranate flavors, finishing harmoniously".

Wine Spectator September 30, 2006

**90 pts** "Deep, inky ruby. Piercing, vibrant bouquet of bitter cherry, cassis, fruity black pepper, dark chocolate and espresso. Then sweet and lush in the mouth, with ripe but bright red berry flavors and notes of mocha, cracked pepper and violet candy. This offers excellent purity of flavor and a persistent, spicy tone that carries through the finish. A superb combination of earthy, musky and sweet, with medium weight and a chewy, tactile character. Finishes with fine-grained, dusty tannins".

Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar Jul/Aug 2006

94 pts "Abundant blackberry, plum cake, spice and chocolate flavours, supported by fine, ripe tannins and restrained oak."

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