



2005 d'ARENBERG THE LAUGHING MAGPIE

Review Summary



93 pts “Year in and year out, one of the most exotic, flamboyant, and sexiest cuvees in the d’Arenberg portfolio is The Laughing Magpie Shiraz/Viognier. The 2005 exhibits a spring flower garden-like character interwoven with blackberries, creme de cassis, melted licorice, and sweet, toasty new oak. Opulent and voluptuous, with silky tannin, and a plump, fleshy, rich, full-bodied personality, this offering is meant to be consumed over the next 5-8 years.”

Robert Parker’s The Wine Advocate
October 2006

94 pts “Warm, dark fruits, with licorice and plum added to the usual blackberry and dark chocolate; medium-to-full-bodied, very complex, and multi-layered texture; ripe, balanced tannins.”

James Halliday
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