



2005 d'ARENBERG THE STUMP JUMP SHIRAZ

WINEMAKER: Chester Osborn
REGION: McLaren Vale, South Australia
VARIETALS: Shiraz
ALCOHOL: 14.5% 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:

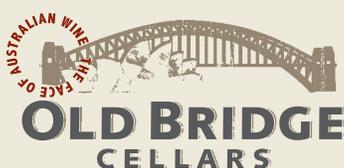
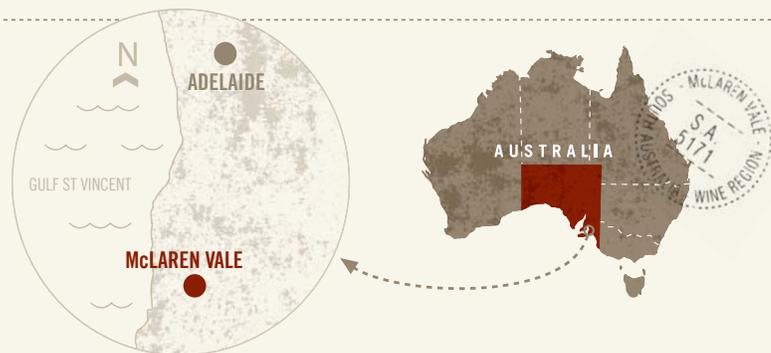
The 2005 vintage provided near ideal conditions for wines for power and finesse. Flowering and veraison were ideal, the mild early-summer weather allowing the ripening fruit to retain fragrance and acidity. A warm spike toward the end of summer provided a boost to tannin ripeness, resulting in fruit of intense color and flavor, yet retaining fragrance and bright natural acidity.

TASTING NOTES:

The opulent nose doesn't disappoint, with ripe mulberry and blackberry fruits swirling into a heady aroma of lifted anise and black pepper spice. The palate attacks with ripe, juicy plums and mulberries, followed by a soft, rich mid-palate that is the hallmark for McLaren Vale Shiraz. The mouthfeel is reminiscent of plush velvet and thick berry coulis, pulled together by fine, dark-chocolate tannins and finished with a savory dried herb note.

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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