



2006 d'ARENBERG THE GALVO GARAGE Review Summary



95 pts “The blend also includes Merlot, Petit Verdot and Cabernet Franc. The two regions and four varieties all come together wonderfully. Classic dusty Cabernet nose with hint of blackcurrant sits really well in the mouth and travels effortlessly; rich top notes that are well supported; beautiful finish and just hangs on it there.”

**Tony Keys, The Key Review of Wines
December 2008**

93 pts “A full-bodied array of predominantly black fruits with integrated tannins and oak; has all the ingredients.”

**James Halliday
2009 Australian Wine Companion**

93 pts “On the back of a good vintage, this looks complete and composed with aromas of cassis, dried leaves, hoi sin sauce, earth and spicy oak. The palate shows impressive composure with hidden power and genuine length. Savory tannin and tarry dark flavors through the finish.”

**Nick Stock, WINE 100 – Australia’s Leading Independent Wine Guide
February 2010**

93 pts “This is the full array of Bordeaux red grapes minus the Malbec, and it really looks complete and composed. The nose smells of cassis, dried leaves, hoi sin sauce and sweet earth; oak adds sweeter spice in complementary fashion. The palate has taut and elegant composure with decent power and length. It slides through on fine, savory tannin and builds tarty, dark flavors towards the gently chewy finish.”

**Nick Stock
The Penguin Good Australian Wine Guide 2010**

92 pts ‘It’s tempting to pick apart the elements of this blend—the curranty ripeness of cabernet sauvignon, the silken plumminess of merlot, the blackness of petit verdot and the green tobacco scents of franc. The wine combines all those elements in a richly textured red with the fresh scent of a eucalyptus grove. More restrained in its ripeness than d’Arenberg’s McLaren Vale wines, this still delivers substantial flavors. Decant it for a thick-cut sirloin, grilled rare.’

**Wine and Spirits Magazine
October 2009**



90 pts “Ruby-red. Intensely spicy bouquet displays bright red berry, cherry and eucalyptus scents, with a slow-mounting incense quality. Fresh and bracing, with lively redcurrant and bitter cherry flavors, fine-grained tannins and late-arriving sweetness. Finishes with good energy and lift, leaving a subtle note of candied flowers behind.”

**Josh Reynolds, Stephen Tanzer’s International Wine Cellar
Sept/Oct 2008**

90 pts “Opaque purple-colored, it presents aromas of cedar, spice box, black currant and blackberry. Structured, dense, and savory, this firm effort will evolve for 2-3 years and offer prime drinking from 2012 to 2021.”

**Jay Miller, Robert Parker’s The Wine Advocate
December 2009, Issue #186**

GOLD MEDAL WINNER

Concours Mondial de Bruxelles 2008 & 2009

BLUE GOLD WINNER & TOP 100

“Very expressive, leafy Cabernet Merlot. It has various layers of flavour and quite a serious structure. This is an excellent food wine and will be quite versatile with many meat dishes.”

Sydney International Wine Challenge 2009

GOLD MEDAL WINNER

“Complex, juicy, rich and earthy with beautifully integrated oak, eucalypt, red berry, spice and leather. Cabernet-dominant blend.”

New Zealand International Wine Show 2008 & 2009

GOLD MEDAL WINNER

Korea Wine Challenge 2008

“Dark garnet in the glass, this wine smells of rich stewed cherries and black olives. In the mouth it has a distinct cherry and black olive character with tannins that taste as well as feel like well oiled leather. The black olive character lingers with an anise component in the finish. Score: around 8.5.”

**Alder Yarrow, Vinography.com
April 10, 2010**