



2007 d'ARENBERG THE STUMP JUMP RED

WINEMAKER :	Chester Osborn
REGION :	McLaren Vale, South Australia
VARIETALS :	Grenache (50%), Shiraz (29%), Mourvedre (21%)
MATURATION :	50% matured in seasoned oak casks for 6 months
ALCOHOL :	14% 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 :

2007 will be remembered as one of the smallest and earliest vintages on record. Low winter rainfall and a cold spring leading up the growing season produced very low yields of high quality grapes. Just prior to harvest a touch of rain saved the dry-grown and late ripening Grenache and Mourvèdre vines, resulting in grapes with concentrated flavours at lower levels of ripeness and excellent levels of acidity.

TASTING NOTES :

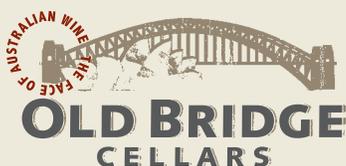
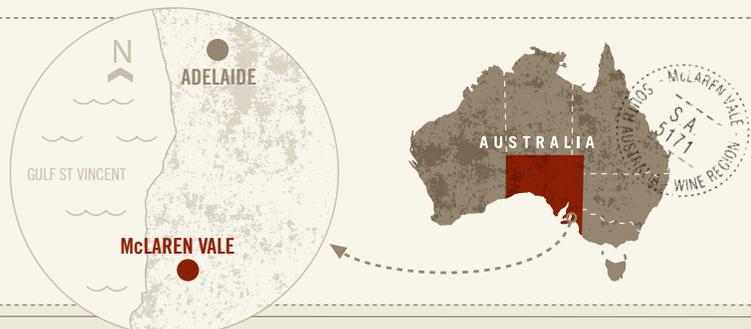
An aromatic nose is of ripe fruits, christmas pudding, white pepper corns and boiled rhubarb notes. The approachable palate is dominated by red berries, licorice and savoury notes with lovely soft tannins and herbal edges. Its softness and balance of fruit and tannin make it extremely approachable at this young age.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM :

88 pts Stephen Tanzer, 88 pts Robert Parker, 88 pts Wine Spectator

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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