



**2009 PLANTAGENET
HAZARD HILL SHIRAZ**
Review Summary



88 pts “Bright ruby. Smoky cherry and blackberry aromas, with hints of dried herbs and cracked pepper. Firm dark berry flavors are braced by zesty acidity, which adds lift and cut. Finishes gently sweet and long, with a note of bitter chocolate.”

Josh Raynolds
Stephen Tanzer’s International Wine Cellar
July/August 2012

88 pts “Bright, deft and jazzy, as red and black berry flavors play against refined tannins and lively acidity.”

Harvey Steiman
Wine Spectator
May 31, 2012

“While the wines are not complex, they are typical of the region and well-made. The 2009 vintage was very warm, making this rendition a little softer and plumper than usual. With plums and cherries accented by cocoa dust and licorice, it’s a very pleasant wine.”

Pamela S. Busch
San Francisco Examiner
February 8, 2013

“This modestly priced shiraz gives you a lot of bang for the buck. Before you taste it, though, let the wine breathe for at least 20 minutes to let its bouquet and flavors develop. As it opens up, the Hazard Hill Shiraz develops a tantalizing smoky aroma. This is a big, ripe, plummy wine that’s soft and very smooth with a dash of spice. It’s so well-balanced that you’ll never know that it’s a little high in alcohol, at 14.5 percent. The Hazard Hill also has nice tannins that aren’t too puckery and a mouthwatering acidity that makes you want to take another sip. It ends with a long, silky finish.”

Gail Appleson
St. Louis Post Dispatch – “Wine Finds: Plummy, spicy shiraz is perfect for cooler evenings”
September 12, 2012