









2010 d'ARENBERG THE HIGH TRELLIS CABERNET SAUVIGNON

WINEMAKER: Chester Osborn

REGION: McLaren Vale, South Australia

VARIETALS: Cabernet Sauvignon

ANALYSIS: 14.3% alc/vol | 3.54 pH | 6.8 g/L TA

THE ART OF BEING DIFFERENT:

The High Trellis vineyard has been producing grapes since the late nineteenth century. It was nicknamed "The High Trellis" as its vines were the first at d'Arenberg to be trained above knee-height in the 1890s.

WINEMAKING:

Small batches are crushed in the Demoisy open-mouthed, rubber toothed crusher and then transferred to open fermenters. Foot treading is undertaken two thirds of the way through fermentation. When tannin extraction is just right the wine is basket pressed and transferred to a mixture of older French and old American oak barriques to complete fermentations. The barrel fermented component is aged on lees for twelve months to keep the wine fresh while also reducing the oak influence.

TASTING NOTES:

The nose is fresh and lifted, full of violets and blackcurrants mixing with leafy aromatics and violets. The oak supplies a touch of cedar adding complexity with the typical soulful earthiness of d'Arenberg reds. The palate is textured and lithe, coated by lacy tannins with a core of cassis, licorice and plum fruit mixed with earth, graphite and a mineral tail. It's well weighted, fresh and balanced, inviting now or will reward the patient.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM:

90 pts International Wine Cellar, 90 pts Wine & Spirits, 89 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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