

NV d'ARENBERG DADD SPARKLING WHITE



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89 pts "This non-vintage sparkler from Australia is made in remembrance of owner/winemaker Chester Osborn's Dad, Grand-Dad and Great Grand-Dad, each of whom had a turn at overseeing the family vineyard and winery over the past century. Light straw color with a fine mousse. Aromas of toast, green apple, lemon-lime, rising bread and roasted nuts show depth and complexity. There is a burst of sharp apple in the mouth, then the wine turns dry midway through to the finish, where a white grapefruit tang lingers. This is one of the better examples of Champenoise-style bubbly from Down Under."

Glen Fredericksen WineLinesOnline.com December 2013

88 pts "A full-flavored sparkling wine that also has good balance and length."

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87 pts "Light, crisp and toasty, with a bitter almond note to the delicate pear flavors."

Harvey Steiman winespectator.com 2012

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"Officially it's a tribute to winemaker Chester Osborn's father and grandfather. A surprising wine with complex almond-meal and toasty-bread notes. Full, generous and smooth, with a clean, balanced finish. More than simple fruit."

Huon Hooke Sydney Morning Herald April 2013

"d'Arenberg's first sparkling white and the newcomer to the stable, this blend of traditional Champagne varieties and an almost even split between chardonnay and pinot noir shows off strawberries, brioche and a touch of vanilla against a solid citrus backbone. The wine has a lovely savoury, bread like finish and more than a hint of toastiness. If you can't justify bubbles at breakfast time then this wine makes a perfect aperitif. Pair with breakfast: smoked salmon, scrambled eggs."

Sumptuous April 2013

"McLaren Vale winery d'Arenberg's celebrated its centenary last year and released its first sparkling white to mark the occasion. An obvious play on MUMM French Champagne, d'Arenberg's DADD pays homage to four generations of winemakers."

Geelong Advertiser April 2013

"You needn't break the bank to enjoy some festive fizz. The d'Arenberg 'DADD' NV Sparkling is a lively number offering bready character with hints of lemon crème pastry."

Stuart Robinson The Brisbane Times December 2012



"d'Arenberg's DADD Brut, a combination of traditional sparkling varieties (Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier), is delicately crisp with hints of white pepper and marzipan that overlay yellow pear & apple."

Ben Weinberg Weinberg's Wine Notes USA December 2012

"Sweet cherry, citrus pulp and yellow peach vied for attention on a bright, fizzy frame. This was well-made and not at all expensive for a top-notch sparkler."

Ben Weinberg unfilteredunfined.com August 23, 2012

"To celebrate 100 years of the Osborn family's d'Arenberg winery a white sparkling wine was created specifically for the occasion capped with a customary pinch of cheeky d'Arenberg humor. With an irreverent nod to Mumm Champagne (which also bears a red stripe across its label), d'Arenberg's DADD is a fresh, bright and lively non-vintage blend of Pinot Noir, Chardonnay and Pinot Meunier from the Adelaide Hills, all dancing lightly on the palate. As the first white sparkling in the winery's history its purpose is to herald the winery anniversary and its crisp, fresh flavor suitably makes it an ideal and effortless celebration drink."

David Sly SA Life May 2012

"Hot off its 100 year anniversary celebrations, d'Arenberg has launched its premier DADD Sparkling White. The cheeky bubbles poke fun at longtime French Champagne brand, MUMM. Sourced from the coolest parts of the Adelaide Hills, the NV blend of traditional Champagne varieties Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier is a full-flavored, rich and creamy cuvee with vivacious sparkle and fine finesse."

Louise Radman Sumptuous May 2012