



## 2009 PENLEY ESTATE SPECIAL SELECT SHIRAZ

### Review Summary



**94 pts** “Deep color and loaded with focused dark fruits, char and spice; the palate is medium-bodied and unctuous, revealing a long, even and harmonious wine, power held in check, and ready for the long haul.”

**James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion  
2013**

**92 pts** “Dark ruby. A complex bouquet of dark fruit preserves, vanilla, licorice and candied flowers. Lush, palate-coating cassis and blueberry flavors are lifted by tangy acidity and complicated by spicecake and mocha nuances. Closes long and supple, with very good breadth and lingering sweetness.”

**Josh Reynolds, Stephen Tanzer’s International Wine Cellar  
July/August 2012**

**90 pts/Year’s Best Australian Shiraz** “This vibrant shiraz has a tangy blue fruit richness along with spicy scents of clove and lavender. The ripe, gentle tannins add density to its structure, but don’t diminish the wine’s refinement or block its lasting floral spice. Serve it with lamb couscous.”

**Joshua Greene, Wine & Spirits Magazine  
October 2012**

**88 pts** “A modest-scale Shiraz, polished and nicely formed to show ripe currant fruit and a touch of licorice on the finish.”

**Harvey Steiman, WineSpectator.com  
2012**

“Penley Estate Special Select Shiraz “The Traveler” 2009, Coonawarra, South Australia. 14.5% alc. Dark ruby with a tinge of mulberry at the rim; a real mouthful of graphite, dusty tannins and intense and concentrated black fruit with tremendous acidity and iron-iodine minerality in a package that manages, whatever its size, to express a really attractive personality; touch of blueberry tart, something wild, flagrantly spicy, long dense finish. Smoking ribs this weekend? Look no further for your wine. Drink through 2018 to 2020. Excellent.”

**Fredric Koeppl  
BiggerThanYourHead.net  
May 31, 2013**