



## 2010 d'ARENBERG THE FRUIT BAT

### Review Summary



**94 pts** “The vineyard is one kilometer from the winery, the soils half brown loam on limestone, and half sandy loam on limestone. The fragrant bouquet leading into a supple, medium-bodied palate with juicy, sweet red fruits, structure coming from fine tannins and subtle oak.”

**James Halliday, The Weekend Australian**  
September 15, 2012

**92 pts** “From a vineyard near Blewitt Springs, this grows on 18-year-old vines in sandy soil over limestone. It’s a heady wine that shows refinement in its texture, meaty spice and mineral tannins, combining in a classical McLaren Vale read. Floral scents last with the dark fruit. This will gain from several years in the cellar.”

**Joshua Greene, Wine & Spirits**  
October 2013

**92 pts** “Deep garnet-purple in color, the 2010 The Fruit Bat Single Vineyard Shiraz shows pronounced blackberry compote, raspberry coulis and mulberries aromas with touches of forest floor, moss-covered bark and black truffles. Full-bodied and concentrated with warm berry flavors fused with an appealing earthiness, it is well-structured with firm, rounded tannins, balanced acid and a long finish.”

**Lisa Perrotti-Brown, Robert Parker’s The Wine Advocate**  
February 2013

**92 pts** “Intense, spicy aromas of red berries, cherry and licorice, with floral and herb accents and a touch of white pepper. Offers deeply pitched black raspberry and bitter cherry flavors that gain energy with air. Shows impressive vivacity on the finish, which has a suave floral quality.”

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

**91 pts** “Full bodied and supple, this is one of the more opulent and open of d’Arenberg’s array of single-vineyard wines. Notes of vanilla, maple syrup and bramble berries mark the nose, while the flavors add cassis and tobacco elements. It’s a pretty, fleshy wine for drinking now–2020, although it may age well even past that.”

**Joe Czerwinski, Wine Enthusiast**  
March 2015