



2006 d'ARENBERG d'ARRY'S ORIGINAL

Review Summary



94 pts “’06 was one of the best, if not the best vintage between '00 and '09, and the wine - always capable of pulling rabbits out the hat as it ages, has developed great fragrance to its light to medium-bodied array of red and black fruits, and enough tannins to provide ongoing support.”

**James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion
2016**

93 pts - BEST VALUE RED WINE, BEST GSM BLEND “This 2006 bottling commemorates d’Arry Osborn’s 80th birthday and 64th vintage in the Vale, and I reckon they’ve steered some exceptional fruit the way of the original as a tribute to the old boy’s outstanding life in wine. It smells of ripe summer berries and red licorice, some plums and spice – really compelling and soulful regional style. The palate’s all wrapped in smooth, swirling tannin that cradles juicy plum and blackberry flavor gently from start to finish, lingering fruit presence. Superb drinking now and the potential to age with grace and charm.”

**Nick Stock
The Penguin Good Australian Wine Guide 2010**

91 pts “Deep red. Expansive, seductively perfumed bouquet of red berries, cherry, fresh rose and lavender. Silky and sweet, with pinot-like red fruit and floral flavors and no obvious tannins. Emphasizes finesse over power, and finishes with excellent lift, cut and persistence. I’d love to see this next to a top-notch New World pinot noir.”

**Josh Reynolds, Stephen Tanzer’s International Wine Cellar
Sept/Oct 2008**

91 pts “The color hue is good, but not as deep as expected from the vintage; the usual attractive medium-bodied palate offers a mix of blackberry, dark cherry and chocolate fruit, finishing with persistent tannins.”

**James Halliday’s Australian Wine Companion
2009**



91 pts - Best of the Best by Variety “The color hue is good, but not as deep as expected from the vintage; the usual attractive medium-bodied palate offers a mix of blackberry, dark cherry and chocolate fruit, finishing with persistent tannins.”

**James Halliday’s Australian Wine Companion
2010**

91 pts “Made in the year of d’Arry’s 80th birthday, this beautiful wine is from another cracking good vintage in South Australia. It has earthy, sa-voury plum and rose petal aromas with a touch of dark chocolate. Seamless palate weaves some fine-grained oak into the fine textured silky smooth fruit. Has a satiny finish which is impressively long.”

**Ray Jordan, The West Australian
February 2009**

90 pts “An even split of shiraz and grenache, the 2006 d’Arenberg d’Arry’s Original offers great aromatics of spiced plums, underbrush, asphalt, dried beef and smoke. There’s good complexity as well as depth. The wine is medium to full bodied with a round, lively texture, sweet fruit and a long, clean finish. A superb value.”

**Jebb Dunnuck, Jebb Dunnuck’s The Rhone Report
June 2010**

90 pts – Editors’ Choice “The 2006 d’Arry’s Original offers a welcome combination of dark, earthy complexity with notes of cola, plum and black cherry. It’s full in the mouth and expansive on the palate, leading into a long finish redolent of peppery spice.”

**Joe Czerwinski, Wine Enthusiast
30 April, 2009**

90 pts “The fifty-fifty blend of Grenache and Shiraz displays expressive fruit character and the oak aging in both small barrels and large oak cask adds structure and seasoning. There is a deep ruby color and aromatics of smoky oak, ripe dark fruits with subtle earthy back notes. The flavors are richly textured, bursting with fresh ripe berries and hints of spice. In total, this value- wine has juicy fruit, structure and length and it will only improve with more bottle time.”

**Gerald Boyd, Wine Review Online
April 10, 2010**

89 pts “The 2006 d’Arry’s Original Shiraz-Grenache is dark ruby-colored with an alluring bouquet of cherry, blueberry, earth notes, and smoked meat. This is followed by a structured wine with ample savory, spicy black cherry and blueberry flavors, good balance, excellent concentration, and a lengthy finish.”

**Jay Miller, Robert Parker’s The Wine Advocate
August 2008, Issue 178 “Value Wines”**



87 pts “On the tart side, with ripe blackberry and currant flavors riding over the grip of mildly intrusive tannins.”

**Wine Spectator - Best Values Australia
May 31, 2009**

GOLD MEDAL – Class Champion

Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo 2010

SILVER MEDAL

2009 Sommelier Challenge

“Medium ruby in color, this wine has a nose of rich ripe and dried cherry and chocolate. In the mouth black cherry and chocolate flavors dominate, with lightly herbal and cassis notes in the finish. Nice acidity and supple tannins give the wine life and complexity. Tasty. Score: around 9.”

**Alder Yarrow, Vinography.com
April 10, 2010**

