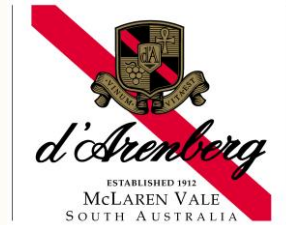




2012 d'ARENBERG THE EIGHT IRON Review Summary



96 pts “In common with its '12 siblings, open-fermented, foot-trodden and basket-pressed. The bouquet is distinctive, with some iodine and bitter chocolate aromas; the palate is full-bodied, but not without polish, fruit, oak and tannins molded together, the finish long and balanced. The style of d'Arenberg's Scarce Earth is different (to a large degree from terroir, not quality).”

James Halliday
Australian Wine Companion
2016

94 pts “Vivid purple. Intensely perfumed aromas of red and dark berry preserves, smoky minerals and dried flowers, with a hint of spicecake. A deeply flavored, focused shiraz that offers lively black raspberry and cherry flavors and a supple texture. Finishes with lingering sweetness, excellent clarity and silky, slow-building tannins. One of the more elegant and vibrant bottling in this vintage's Single Vineyard series, and delicious right now.”

Josh Raynolds
Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar
July/August 2014

90 pts – Top 40 Australian Shiraz of the Year “From an eight-acre block planted in 1960 on gray limestone soils, this is a heady Shiraz that's showing its share of oak and alcohol in its youth. It's fragrant with spicy fruit, dense and firm, a juicy, complete wine that will gain with a few years of bottle age.”

Joshua Greene
Wine & Spirits
October 2014