



2009 JOHN DUVAL WINES PLEXUS SGM

Review Summary



96 pts “The crimson-purple hue puts the often insipid color of Barossa Valley SGMs to shame; the fragrant bouquet and vibrant black cherry and plum fruit of the palate likewise; quality French oak has been used to maximum advantage.”

James Halliday
Australian Wine Companion
2012

93 pts – Very Good+ “This opaque and onyx colored red blend opens with a fragrant ripe blackberry bouquet with hints of old oak. On the palate, this wine is full bodied, ripe, and very fruit forward. The flavor profile is a very tasty extracted blackberry with notes boysenberry and gently integrated oak. The finish is dry and its fruit flavors and well managed at tannins are nicely prolonged. This wine is made for barbecue foods. I would pair it with fatty beef ribs.”

Ken Hoggins
KensWineGuide.com
March 1, 2012

93 pts “Deep garnet colored with a hint of purple, the 2009 Plexus Shiraz Grenache gives notes of warm mulberries, kirsch and black tea with hints of Indian spices, fenugreek, cumin seed and dusty earth. Full bodied with a great concentration of opulent fruit, it has a medium level of silky tannins and lively acid to support, finishing long and harmonious. Delicious now, it should cellar to 2019+.”

Lisa Perrotti-Brown
Robert Parker’s The Wine Advocate
February 2012

93 pts

Nick Stock
2012 Good Wine Guide



93 pts “Polished, round and plush, but not over the top, offering a mouthful of ripe blueberry, blackberry, cream and spice flavors that merge seamlessly and persist through the long, refined finish. Shiraz, Grenache and Mourvèdre.”

Harvey Steiman
Wine Spectator
April 27, 2011

92 pts “Bright purple. A complex and expressive nose displays spice-accented red berries and candied cherry, along with anise, vanilla and cola. The spiciness carries onto the palate, adding bite and lift to the red fruit compote and floral flavors. Becomes sweeter on the clinging, impressively persistent finish, which leaves notes of smoke and licorice behind. Already drinking very well.”

Josh Raynolds
Stephen Tanzer’s International Wine Cellar
July/August 2011

91 pts “High-toned red fruit and bon bon, with concentration and balancing freshness. Long and tactile. An agile wine that will be good at the dinner table.”

Nick Stock
JamesSuckling.com
August 13, 2012

“2009 John Duval SGM Plexus is a delightfully well-balanced offering - a term used in the most devout religious sense here - made from shiraz (48 percent), grenache (21 percent) and mourvedre. Everything about this wine is heavenly, from its delectable red and black fruit flavors mingled with spices to the impact of subtle oak flavors.”

Mark P. Vincent
Metro Daily West News – “Wine Wisdom: Say g’day to Aussie wines?”
October 24, 2012