

2011 d'ARENBERG THE CUSTODIAN GRENACHE

Review Summary



93 pts/TOP 100 BEST BUYS OF THE YEAR "Yes, the wine is funky, but this is intoxicating Grenache. The fruit is dynamic, with a bright red-berry flavor ringing out above intense umami, that brightness transformed into the taste of a sun-warmed morel. The tannins have an ancient vine character, rustic and grand. Decant a bottle for roast squab."

Joshua Greene, Wine & Spirits Magazine
October 2014

91 pts/Editors' Choice "The 2011 vintage wasn't an easy one in South Australia to say the least, which makes this wine all the more admirable. Mouthwatering, peppery, red-currant fruit remains firm and focused from start to finish, ending on a crisp note."

Joe Czerwinski, Wine Enthusiast March 2015

91 pts "Upfront raspberried fruit gets the action going but a savoriness (clove, earth, herb) through the finish leaves you with something to ponder. Medium-weight. Impeccable shape through the mouth. Cool vintage has done more benefit than harm."

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion 2015

HOT 100 SOUTH AUSTRALIAN WINES

The Adelaide Review November 2013

"Bright red fruits, lavender, violets and spicy lift on the nose. The palate is full bodied and darker than previous years with a structural backbone of boney fruit tannin alongside plum, raspberry, mulberry and dark cherry with earth, smoked meats, dried herb and cinnamon. A serious and savory expression of Grenache that will age well."

The Beverage Analyst July 2014