

**2012 PENLEY ESTATE
SPECIAL SELECT SHIRAZ**

Review Summary



94 pts “Fermented with submerged cap header boards 8-9 days, finished fermentation and matured in new French and American oak for 21 months. There really is a forest of oak in the wine, even though the barrel fermentation helps integration. May well escape from the forest in the years ahead, for the quality of the fruit is not in doubt.”

James Halliday
Australian Wine Companion
2016

91 pts “You’ve got to like oak to appreciate this wine, which is presently dominated by scents of vanilla, mocha and toasted coconut. It’s full bodied and velvety in texture, with hints of black cherry lurking in the background.”

Joe Czerwinski
Wine Enthusiast
December 2016

91 pts “Inky purple. Blueberry, candied cherry and vanilla on the highly perfumed nose, with suave floral and anise qualities adding complexity. Deep and alluringly sweet but also focused, offering powerful black and blue fruit and violet pastille flavors and a jolt of peppery spices. Smoothly plays richness off of elegance and finishes very sweet and long, with building smokiness. smooth tannins sneak in late to add shape and closing grip.”

Josh Reynolds
Vinous
March 2016