

2013 d'ARENBERG THE IRONSTONE PRESSINGS



Review Summary

97 pts "Make a place for this fellow in your 'to be drunk on special occasions only' wine rack. Beautiful red bursting with ripe red fruit flavors."

Peter Chapman, Queensland Times November 2016

96 pts "A seriously engineered GSM that commands structure, definition and longevity yet with the presence of berry fruits that defines the 2013 vintage. Tannins are firm and confident, yet finely mineral and enduring."

Tyson Stelzer, Wine Business Monthly November 2016

94 pts "Deep crimson-purple, unmatched by virtually any Barossa Valley GSM; the alcohol, too, is strikingly low in GSM terms, then there is the powerful array of red and black fruits. Good now, but will be better still in 2+ years. This is a unique style, patented – so it seems – by d'Arenberg."

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion 2017

94 pts "Very deeply colored for Grenache, the wine shows ripe and powerful redskin, blackberry and pepper fruits supported by well integrated oak. Full-bodied, dry and tannic in the mouth it is a robust and muscular Grenache style that will handsomely reward cellaring."

Wine Genius February 2017

92 pts – **Very Good+** "This midnight purple colored Aussie blend opens with a fragrant black raspberry bouquet with a hint of boysenberry. On the palate, this wine is full bodied, balanced and fruit forward. The flavor profile is a tasty black raspberry with nicely integrated minerality. I also detected hints of blackberry, a little old oak and touch of red plum. The finish is dry and its flavors are nicely prolonged. This wine would pair well with barbecue baby back ribs."

Ken Hoggins, KensWineGuide.com December 8, 2016



DOUBLE GOLD MEDAL

China Wine & Spirits Awards 'Best Value' 2017

5 Stars "Good quality Grenache notes lead the aroma. The well-judged oak introduces appealing dried herbs and the dark bramble and black berry fruits have complexity. Silky chocolate alongside the middle palate of raspberry puree, fresh fruits-rich and ripe- that linger through to the finish. Generous and uncomplicated this is easy to drink now."

Rob Geddes MW Australian Wine Vintages 2017: 34th Edition

Very Good "The real treasure of d'Arenberg is its Grenache wines, which compare well to the finest Grenache blends I have tried from anywhere. The 2013 Ironstone Pressings is Grenache dominant, with 67% Grenache, 28% Shiraz and 5% Mourvèdre in the blend. Its aromatics remind of graphite, earth and deli meats and the wine also has a floral perfume. The palate has redcurrant and cherry characters, with its acidity and youthful tannins in balance. The finish is long, and this wine should improve over a decade."

Sean Mitchell GrapeObserver.com November 2016