



## 2012 KILIKANOON DUKE RESERVE GRENACHE

### Review Summary



**95 pts** “Grown on 80+ year old vines (and some over 100). It’s not impenetrable but it’s darker and more substantial than you’d normally expect from this variety. The word beast springs to mind; or it does, until its charms start to work on you. Sweet, grainy, earthen and authoritative flavors motor through the palate, seducing as much as impressing as they go. There’s a sizeable churn of tannin here too but the fruit squelches deep into it, making for juicily profound drinking.”

**James Halliday**  
Australian Wine Companion  
2016

**92 pts** “Deep, brilliant red. Spicy and energetic on the nose, displaying ripe red and blue fruit aromas and hints of white pepper and candied rose. Appealingly sweet and plush in style, offering broad raspberry and boysenberry flavors that become more lively as the wine opens up. Shows excellent focus and power on the persistent, spice-tinged finish, which is shaped by smooth, gentle tannins.”

**Josh Reynolds**  
Vinous  
October 2017

**91 pts** “Pale to medium ruby with hints purple, the 2012 Duke Grenache Reserve presents attractive aromas of red cherries, raspberry preserves and mulberries over potpourri, menthol, dried herbs and pepper. Full-bodied, the palate is more savory and earthy than the nose and has chunky tannins plus just enough freshness on the long finish.”

**Lisa Perrotti-Brown**  
Robert Parker’s The Wine Advocate  
July 2015