



2013 d'ARENBERG THE FOOTBOLT Review Summary



91 pts “Bright violet. Fresh dark berries, cherry pit and peppery spices on the perfumed nose. Smoky and focused on the palate, offering juicy blackberry and bitter cherry flavors that deepen and unfurl slowly with air. The spicy element comes back on a very long, youthfully tannic finish that leaves behind notes of bitter cherry, licorice and cracked pepper.”

Josh Raynolds
Vinous
October 2017

91 pts “Plum and black cherry fruit culminate in a long finish of savory complexity. This is a shiraz of persistence and balance, graced with finely structured tannins of confident support, promising medium-term potential. Great value.”

Tyson Stelzer
Tyson Stelzer’s Australian & New Zealand Wines of the Year 2017

91 pts “Meaty, savory and lip-smacking delicious! Enticing eucalyptus and blackberry aromas in this full-bodied, smooth Australian red wine. Sure to please even the most hardened cabernet fan. Loaded with concentrated dark red fruit flavors on the finish, along with a spice kick. This robust red wine was not fined or filtered. Pair with meat lovers pizza.”

Natalie Maclean
NatalieMaclean.com
May 18, 2016

90 pts “Medium to full-bodied, initially supple before its tannins swing into action, but, having done so, don’t throttle the blackberry, plum and licorice fruit. You can’t help liking the wine, and loving its value for money.”

James Halliday
Australian Wine Companion
2017



89 pts “Charming, with plenty of personality to the tangy dried cherry and cranberry flavors that show a juicy vibrancy, accented by touches of orange zest and spicy tobacco. The tannins are firm and rustic.”

MaryAnn Worobiec
WineSpectator.com – “13 Impressive South Australia Rhône Reds”
December 22, 2016

Best Value Buy

Winestate Magazine
September 2016

“Chester Osborn is everyone’s favorite McLaren Vale winemaker: outrageous, good fun, yet serious about wine. This is my favorite of the four great value reds at this price: smooth, lush, rich and concentrated, with attractive blackberry and vanillin oak flavors and a kick in the finish. Gluggable.”

Money Magazine
August 2016

