

2013 d'ARENBERG d'ARRY'S ORIGINAL

Review Summary



91 pts “Brilliant ruby-red. Vibrant, spice-accented cherry and red berry and floral scents show very good clarity and a gentle touch of smokiness. Sappy and seamless on the palate, offering appealingly sweet raspberry and cherry flavors that become spicier with air. Shows very good energy and spicy thrust on the finish, which is shaped by supple, slow-building tannins.”

Josh Reynolds
Vinous
October 2017

91 pts – Editors' Choice “This 50-50 blend is firm, focused and rich, offering attractive aromas of mint, vanilla, cedar and red-skinned plums. Flavors turn darker, suggesting espresso and chocolate, but enlivened by bright acids. A wine worth holding a few years, priced at \$20?”

Joe Czerwinski
Wine Enthusiast
February 2017

91 pts “Red berry/cherry fruits and chocolate are intertwined with McLaren Vale black olives and dried herbs. Finely structured tannins make a well-balanced and persistent finish. It's great value and super versatile in the kitchen.”

Tyson Stelzer
Wine Business Monthly
November 2016

90 pts “The initial vintage in '64 was the first to show grenache on the label, winning seven trophies and 25 gold medals. This is an exceptionally powerful wine, with fruit, oak and above all, ripe tannins. Not in the usual style, but is likely to sing in 5-10 years. Most will have been drunk by then, of course.”

James Halliday
Australian Wine Companion
2017



89 pts “Spicy, with sarsaparilla, clove and cola notes to the brambly wild berry core. Offers thick tannins and a complex finish, showing a hint of fresh loam.”

MaryAnn Worobiec
WineSpectator.com
2017

89 pts – Very Good “This midnight purple colored Shiraz and Grenache blend opens with a fragrant blueberry bouquet with faint hints of smoky oak in the background. On the palate, this wine is medium bodied, balanced and juicy. The flavor profile is a mineral infused black raspberry with notes of oak. The finish is dry and its flavors linger and last for quite a while. This wine would pair nicely with a pulled pork sandwich.”

Ken Hoggins
KensWineGuide.com
January 29, 2017

88 pts “Medium to deep garnet-purple colored, the 2013 d’Arry’s Original Shiraz / Grenache reveals an intensely scented nose of crushed black berries and blueberries with touches of pepper, dark chocolate and spice cake. Medium to full-bodied, it fills the mouth with expressive black fruit and spice box flavors with a good amount of texture and freshness to support, finishing long and relatively uncomplicated.”

Lisa Perrotti-Brown
Robert Parker’s The Wine Advocate
August 31, 2016

GOLD MEDAL

China Wine & Spirits Awards ‘Best Value’ 2017

Best Buy Wines Under \$20 “...the wine’s as delicious as ever - a classic, earthy, dense, sinewy McLaren Vale ‘Burgundy.’ An utter bargain.”

Australian Gourmet Traveller
March 2016

“A cracking blend of shiraz and grenache grapes from one of the iconic family-owned wineries in McLaren Vale, South Australia. This is a full-bodied red with plenty of inky fruit flavor and spice but finishes with soft plushness. It would be an excellent companion to summer barbecues or good matched with some gourmet sausages, while history shows it is also a wine that can be comfortably cellared for a decade or more.”

Winsor Dobbin
Ciao Magazine
November 2015