

2013 d'ARENBERG THE LAUGHING MAGPIE

Review Summary



95 pts "94% shiraz and 6% viognier are co-fermented, which gives the expected result of a more ethereal bouquet and a spicy, lifted red and black fruit palate, the tannin need diminished, all without robbing the wine of the generosity which in one way or another always marks the d'Arenberg red wines."

James Halliday
Halliday Wine Companion
2019

91 pts "Opaque ruby. Deep-pitched dark berry, candied flowers and white pepper scents pick up a smoky mineral overtone with aeration. Juicy, broad and concentrated, showing good clarity to the sappy blackberry, cherry and violet pastille flavors. Round and seamless in texture, displaying strong closing tenacity, harmonious tannins and resonating florality."

Josh Raynolds Vinous October 2017

90 pts "There's plenty of personality and charm here. Opens up firm and savory, with peppery bacon notes to the core of tangy red fruit flavors. Toothsome tannins provide an appealing chewy character on the finish."

MaryAnn Worobiec Wine Spectator October 15, 2018

89 pts "Even after several years in bottle, d'Arenberg's 2013 The Laughing Magpie Shiraz Viognier—a 94% Shiraz and 6% Viognier blend—comes out of the bottle a bit tight and tarry, with notes of espresso and black olive taking the lead. Give it a quick splash in a decanter to let raspberries and blueberries emerge. It's medium to full-bodied, framed by grainy tannins on the palate and finishing softly dusty."

Joe Czerwinski Robert Parker Wine Advocate May 14, 2020



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