



2006 d'ARENBERG CADENZIA GRENACHE SHIRAZ MOURVEDRE

WINEMAKER :	Chester Osborn
REGION :	McLaren Vale, South Australia
VARIETALS :	Grenache (48%), Shiraz (45%) & Mourvedre (7%)
MATURATION :	10 months in new and older American & French oak barriques
ALCOHOL :	14.5% alc/vol

BACKGROUND :

The inspiration behind this name came from the word 'Cadenza' which is an impassioned improvisation played by a virtuoso soloist toward the end of a musical performance. Cadenza is made in celebration of the winemakers' opportunity, after vintage, to blend an exceptional McLaren Vale wine based on the Grenache variety.

WINEMAKING :

Parcels of Grenache, Shiraz and Mourvèdre are gently crushed and fermented in small batches in traditional headed-down open fermenters, followed by foot-treading. The skins are then gently pressed in traditional 19th century 'Coq' and 'Bromley & Tregoning' basket presses prior to maturation in French and American oak barriques for 10 months.

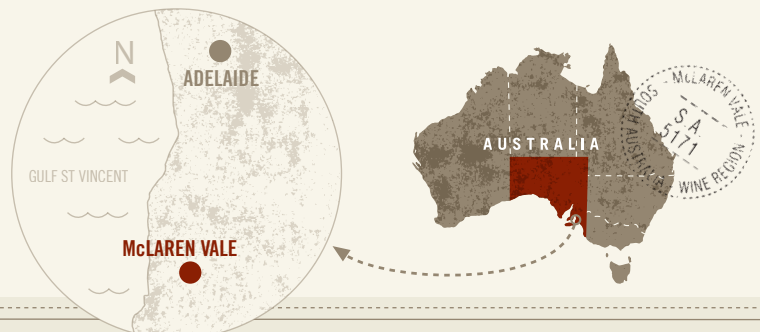
TASTING NOTES :

Quickly intense red cherry, cranberry, kirsch notes to appear with a subtle background of pepper, stone fruit kernels and nutty spiced oak. As the wine opens the level of concentration evolves with ripe red fruits such as cranberry, mulberry, raspberry conserve to black tarry notes of liquorice, dried plum baked olives and prunes with spices and notes of dried herbs.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM : 91pts James Halliday's The Wine Companion, 91pts Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate, 90pts Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar

ABOUT d'ARENBERG

One of the undisputed kings of Australian Shiraz and Rhone varietals, d'Arenberg has managed to turn individuality into an art form by doing a whole lot of little things differently. The original vineyards were established by Joseph Osborn in 1912 in the McLaren Vale region of South Australia. A century on, the estate has grown to 345 acres, and the mantle now rests with fourth-generation winemaker Chester Osborn. By maintaining a focus on traditional winemaking and nurturing their old-vine material, the Osborn clan has successfully established themselves as one of the country's leading producers of concentrated, characterful wines. Ranked among Australia's Top 10 Shiraz producers by Wine & Spirits Magazine in July 2007, this reputation is clearly recognized worldwide.



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