



2010 d'ARENBERG THE STUMP JUMP WHITE

WINEMAKER :	Chester Osborn
REGION :	McLaren Vale, South Australia
VARIETALS :	Riesling (28%), Sauvignon Blanc (27%), Marsanne (25%), Roussanne (20%)
ANALYSIS :	13.0 % alc/vol 6.4 g/L TA 3.25 pH

BACKGROUND :

The name 'Stump Jump' relates to the significant South Australian invention – the Stump Jump plough. This plough became a popular piece of machinery for ploughing fields because of its ability to ride over stumps and gnarled “mallee” Eucalypt roots and snags, saving valuable time and resources by not stopping the draught horse.

THE VINTAGE :

Good winter rains ensured adequate sub-soil moisture and set vines up well with healthy canopies. There was unseasonably hot weather during flowering, but this did not affect fruit set and vigor was beautifully balanced followed by more heat during veraison which serves vines well. The rest of the season was mild with cool nights and very little rain.

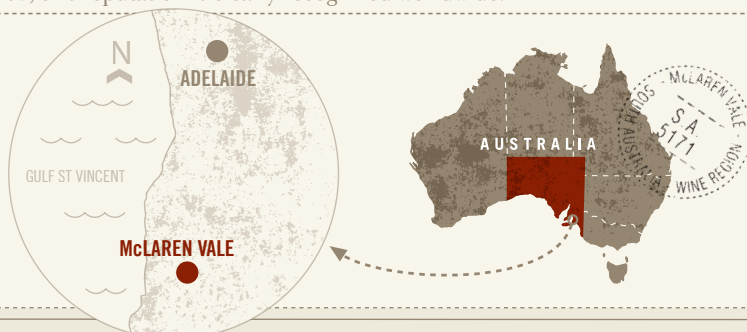
TASTING NOTES :

The nose is wonderfully aromatic with tropical fruit, barley sugar and a hint of guava. The palate is equally vibrant with zesty citrus characters of lemon, lime and a touch of orange. The Marsanne and Roussanne impart the lovely stone fruit and honey characters coming through. This is a crisp, fresh, and balanced wine, suitable to drink with or without food.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM : 87 pts 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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