



## NV d'ARENBERG DADD SPARKLING WHITE

WINEMAKER:	Chester Osborn
REGION:	Adelaide Hills
VARIETALS:	Chardonnay (52%), Pinot Noir (40%), Pinot Meunier (8%)
ANALYSIS:	11.7% alc/vol   3.02 pH   7.7 g/L TA

### BACKGROUND:

Since 1912, four generations of the Osborn family have tended the 19th century vineyards at their d'Arenberg winery in McLaren Vale, South Australia. Joseph Osborn purchased the property and vineyard, Frank built the winery and d'Arry created the red stripe adorning each bottle. Current Chief Winemaker, Chester Osborn draws inspiration from his Great Grand-Dad, his Grand-Dad and his Dad to make the winery's first sparkling white wine. Their contributions have been so significant he felt that each Dad deserved their own D in the title.

### WINEMAKING:

The fruit was hand picked slightly earlier than would be normal for a table wine in order to achieve the crisp taste and acidity that define sparkling wine. No enzymes or bentonite are used and the free run juices are fermented with solids. Following primary fermentation and partial malolactic fermentation, the individual lots were bottled and underwent a secondary fermentation. After some years the yeast is removed and a small liqueur is added.

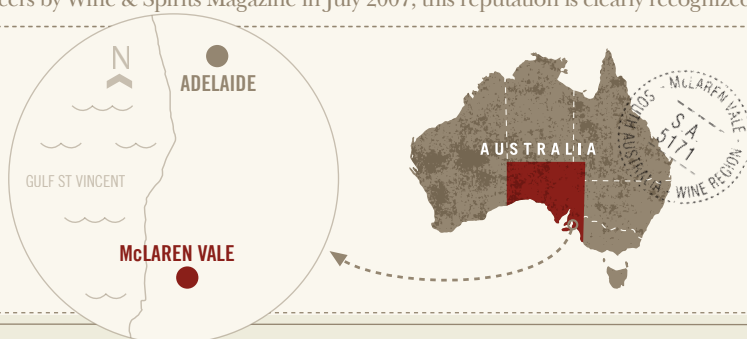
### TASTING NOTES:

The bouquet has touches of granny smith apples and brioche with hints of roasted nuts. It has a fine, creamy bead and vibrant mousse. The palate is dry, delicate and balanced with fresh oyster shell and lemon like acidity. There is a distinct grapefruit pith character which is long and mineral that rounds out the complex palate. The creamy Chardonnay character on the palate adds richness and polish.

### CRITICAL ACCLAIM: Not yet reviewed.

### 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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