

2009 d'ARENBERG THE COPPERMINE ROAD

WINEMAKER :	Chester Osborn
REGION :	McLaren Vale, South Australia
VARIETALS :	Cabernet Sauvignon
MATURATION :	18 months in new & seasoned French oak
ANALYSIS :	14.5% alc/vol 7.4 g/L 3.41 pH

THE ART OF BEING DIFFERENT :

Coppermine Road runs parallel to d'Arenberg's very best Cabernet vineyard. Planted to an almost extinct clone, this vineyard rarely yields greater than one ton to the acre.

WINEMAKING :

Small batches of grapes are crushed gently and then transferred to five tonne headed down open fermenters. Foot treading is undertaken two thirds of the way through fermentation. The wine is then basket pressed and transferred to a mixture of new and used French oak barriques to complete fermentation. The barrel ferments are aged on lees, and there is no racking until final blending. There is no fining or filtration prior to bottling.

TASTING NOTES :

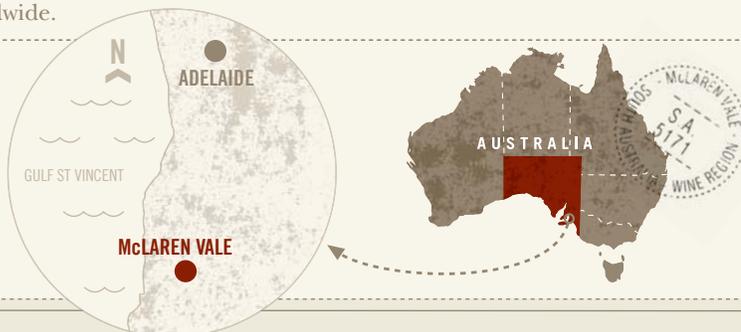
Cabernet aromatics of black currant leaf, violets and cigar box with an interesting twist of spice and mustard seed. These lovely savory notes are followed through onto the palate but swept along by an underlying sweet mulberry fruitiness that builds as the wine continues to evolve in your glass. The cedary tannins start early and give the wine an incredible line. An intriguing fennel note accompanies the chalky tannins that are picked up on the finish which is long and lingering.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM :

92 pts Wine Enthusiast, 92 pts International Wine Cellar, 92 pts The Wine Advocate

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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