



## 2015 d'ARENBERG THE NOBLE WRINKLED RIESLING

**WINEMAKER:** Chester Osborn  
**REGION:** McLaren Vale, South Australia  
**VARIETALS:** Riesling  
**ANALYSIS:** 10.4% alc/vol | TA: 9.6 | RS: 205.3 g/L | pH: 3.10

### BACKGROUND:

Botrytis cinerea (or Noble Rot as it more affectionately known) weakens the skin of grapes causing the water inside the berry to evaporate. With the water evaporated the skins are wrinkled and the berries full of sugar and nutrients.

### WINEMAKING:

Late harvesting took place by hand in small volumes when fruit flavors and the Botrytis cinerea was at an optimal point. The grapes were gently crushed before receiving a small amount of skin contact. The juice was separated via the gentle process of basket pressing. Fermentation occurred in a number of small tanks using neutral yeast to cope with the high natural sugar levels and to avoid dominating the fruit characters. The fermentation stopped naturally, retaining a considerable level of residual sugar.

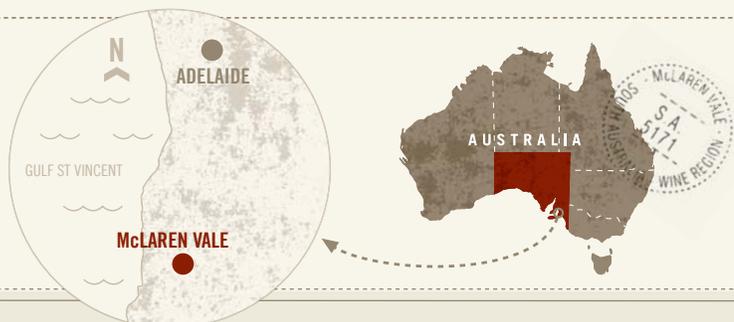
### TASTING NOTES:

Generous and decadent but zesty and fresh at the same time. Ripples of fresh lemon and lime, a whisper of candied ginger and a healthy dollop of honey and barley sugar. The palate is initially sweet and viscous but this opulence is countered by a tangy acidity that flashes through the core of the wine in dart like fashion. In its youth this wine is crisp and provides versatility when matching to a wide range of desserts. As it ages it will take on a deeper color and the flavor will develop further into the dried fruit spectrum making it a sensational match to strong cheeses.

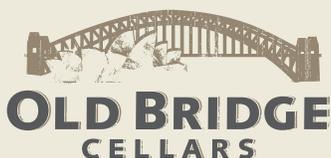
**CRITICAL ACCLAIM:** 92 pts James Halliday's Australian Wine Companion

### 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 as one of the Top 100 Wineries and Top Value Brands in the world by Wine & Spirits Magazine in 2013, this reputation is clearly recognized worldwide.



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