









2016 d'ARENBERG THE STUMP JUMP SHIRAZ

WINEMAKER: Chester Osborn

REGION: McLaren Vale, South Australia

VARIETALS: Shiraz

ANALYSIS: 13.9% alc/vol | TA: 6.4 g/L | pH: 3.50

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.

VINTAGE NOTES:

The season began well with average winter rainfall, Summer conditions were significantly warmer than average with two heatwaves through January testing the limits of the vines. Following the heatwave was rain and cool weather, which helped slow down ripening, and allowed flavor development to catch up to sugar ripeness. White wines from this vintage are fruity and very flavorsome, as are reds with ample tannin to match.

TASTING NOTES:

On the nose, the wine is full of cherry and blackberry fruits, which continue on the palate. What sets this Shiraz apart is the intensity of the ripe fruit, which is just as concentrated on the finish as when the wine first hits your tongue. The finish has a mineral-graphite edge that balances the fruit nicely. In all, it drinks far, far, above its price point.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM:

90 pts Wine Spectator

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.





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