

## 2016 JOHN DUVAL WINES ANNEXUS GRENACHE

### Review Summary



**97 pts** “From two very old low-yielding Barossa vineyards, one in the Northern Barossa, one in the Eden Valley over 150yo. The marriage of ancient vines and modern skills in the winery has produced a remarkable grenache at the forefront of the revitalization of the style. It is powerful and intense, yet the flavors are in the fresh red spectrum with a savory crosscurrent of fine, dusty tannins. There is no confection, no Turkish delight anywhere to be seen.”

**James Halliday, Halliday Wine Companion  
2019**

**93 pts/Editors’ Choice** “This vintage expresses the variety’s typical bright raspberry, cranberry, blueberry combo but laced with notes of dried leaves, nutmeg, cumin, white pepper and graphite. The palate is restrained and beautifully balanced, with soft, savory, sandy-textured tannins, a tart raspberry crunch and a mineral, hot stone spine.”

**Christina Pickard, Wine Enthusiast  
August 2019**

**92 pts** “Delicate streaks of Mediterranean herbs and dried spices add nuance to the cherry fruit in Duval’s 2016 Annexus Grenache. Aged a year in older hogsheads, the oak impact is minimal. It’s a medium to full-bodied, suave expression of old-vine Barossa Grenache, with a slightly coarse, tannic feel that adds a savory edge to fruit that might otherwise be too confectioned.”

**Joe Czerwinski, Robert Parker Wine Advocate  
August 2018**

**92 pts** “A nicely fresh but still rather ripe grenache that is showing blue fruits, such as blueberries and brambleberries. Some dark cherries, too. Medium to full body, some tangy acidity and a medium-chewy finish.”

**Nick Stock, JamesSuckling.com  
August 15, 2018**

**90 pts** “Vibrant, offering a tangy, fresh mix of orange zest and gingerbread notes on a sleek frame. Bright cherry and cranberry flavors sing out, accented by spice and black tea details.”

**MaryAnn Worobiec, Wine Spectator  
November 15, 2018**