

## 2020 d'ARENBERG THE HERMIT CRAB

### Review Summary



**89 pts** “A 75-25 blend, d'Arenberg's 2020 The Hermit Crab Viognier Marsanne features some slightly pungent, boxwood-like aromas alongside ripe notes of apricot and pear. It's broad and ripe on the full-bodied palate, expansive and mouthfilling yet not overly heavy, with a burst of citrus and a delicate touch of phenolics that bring focus and lift to the finish.”

Joe Czerwinski  
Robert Parker Wine Advocate  
August 31, 2021

**89 pts** “Attractive apricots and peaches lead this on the nose with hints of lemon and apple in behind. Very fruit-focused. The palate has a fresh and ripe core of the same stone fruit with a soft, buttery texture.”

Nick Stock  
JamesSuckling.com  
August 10, 2021

**89 pts** “...A warm and torrid vintage has nevertheless been placated with ample fruit and a bright line of bath-salted acidity. Think vanillan oak, dried straw matting, orange verbena and faint stone-fruit allusions, all strung taut by a chord of underlying mineral. Solid.”

Ned Goodwin, MW  
Halliday Wine Companion  
August 13, 2021

**88 pts** “Plump peach, honeysuckle and citrus notes are appealing and have an accent of white tea and ripe melon on the finish. Viognier and Marsanne.”

MaryAnn Worobiec  
Wine Spectator  
August 31, 2021