2018 d'ARENBERG THE STUMP JUMP RED



WINEMAKER: REGION: VARIETALS: MATURATION: ANALYSIS: Chester Osborn McLaren Vale, South Australia Grenache (39%), Shiraz (38%), Mourvèdre (23%) 50% matured in seasoned oak casks for 6 months 14.5% alc/vol | TA: 6.9 g/L | pH: 3.38

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: Quite a wet winter with July, August and September being way above average in rainfall. Temperatures were mild until late January, so vines seemed to be delayed and harvest appeared like it was again going to be late. However, the above average temperatures of February and March and the dryness made everything ripen relatively quickly.

TASTING NOTES: A brooding concotion of dark, sweet and savory notes. Plum, dark cherry, game, earth and black pepper. The palate adds mulberry, raspberry with beautiful lifted spice and mineral grit. There's no shortage of flavor here.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 2018 not yet rated. 2017: 91 pts/#3 Top 100 Best Buys of 2021 Wine Enthusiast

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. Consistently ranked as one of the Top 100 Wineries in the world by Wine & Spirits Magazine, this reputation is clearly recognized globally.





