

2020 d'ARENBERG THE STUMP JUMP WHITE



WINEMAKER:

Chester Osborn

REGION:

McLaren Vale and Adelaide Hills, South Australia

VARIETALS:

Riesling (68%), Marsanne (21%), Sauvignon Blanc (11%)

ANALYSIS:

11% alc/vol | TA: 7.0 g/L | pH: 3.09

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: Winter and Spring rains were quite good which meant vigor was high. Flowering and set were protracted, with an intense short heat wave that reduced the crop significantly. Warmer nights helped the last sugar push. Yields were down significantly, the lowest in memory; however, quality is exceptional. Some of the best wines seen for years: Great colour, fruit characters, flavors and length.

TASTING NOTES: A glorious fruit-driven wine with some guava, passionfruit, and pineapple aromas. Canteloupe and caramel apple flavors present in this wine that is fresh, crisp, and bright, yet provides long lasting enjoyment in the glass.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: Not yet rated. Last vintage: 89 pts Wine Spectator, 89 pts Vinous

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.

