

2017 d'ARENBERG THE LAUGHING MAGPIE

Review Summary



90 pts “Compact and juicy but oozing with raspberry, currant and kirsch flavors; malty Assam tea, anise and sage details and dried ginger notes that linger on the finish. Delivers dense tannins. Shiraz and Viognier. Drink now.”

MaryAnn Worobiec
Wine Spectator
November 2022

90 pts “Quite a savory expression with dark plums, dried blackberries and violets, as well as fine-ground, toasted brown-spice notes, such as cloves, cardamon and mace. The palate holds a compact, flavorful stance with fine tannins wrapping dark-fruit flavors and cocoa-like notes neatly into the finish.”

Nick Stock
JamesSuckling.com
August 10, 2021

90 pts/SPECIAL VALUE “This is a more relaxed, poised and drinkable wine than recent past releases. Lanolin, dried hay, quince and apricot pith riffs expand across a juicy rail of freshness. Some breadth to this, too, with a small portion matured in French oak. Nothing too perky, shrill or out of whack. An effortless mid-weighted wine, sitting shotgun in the mouth. Very good value.”

Ned Goodwin, MW
Halliday Wine Companion
August 18, 2021