

2021 d'ARENBERG

d'ARRY'S ORIGINAL SHIRAZ GRENACHE



WINEMAKER: Chester Osborn
REGION: McLaren Vale, South Australia
VARIETALS: Grenache (50%), Shiraz (50%)
MATURATION: 20-21 months in new & older French & American barriques
ANALYSIS: 14.5% alc/vol | TA 6.5 g/L | pH: 3.46 | RS 0.9 g/L

BACKGROUND: First released in 1993, this wine was renamed in honor of third generation family member and the winery's champion, Francis "d'Arry" d'Arenberg Osborn (1926-2022), to honor his lifelong service to d'Arenberg and the wine industry. d'Arry's Original delivers its blend of Shiraz and Grenache sourced from d'Arenberg's own low-yielding, 19th century vineyards.

WINEMAKING NOTES: Small batches of grapes are gently crushed and then transferred to open fermenters. Foot treading is undertaken two-thirds of the way through fermentation. The wine is then basket pressed and transferred to oak barriques and large casks to complete primary and secondary fermentation, then aged on lees to keep the wine fresh. There is no racking until final blending, and no fining or filtration prior to bottling.

TASTING NOTES: Highly aromatic, with pretty red fruits and exotic spice. Dark and vibrant ruby red color with a perfumed bouquet of red and black berries. Wild strawberry, dried cranberry and rhubarb flavors. There's some nice dried herb and baking spice nuances to this wine. Fine and velvety tannins are supported by decent amounts of acidity. An extremely savory and long finish makes this medium-bodied wine irresistible.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: Not yet rated. 2020: 93 pts Wine Pilot, 90 pts/Best Value Wine Spectator

ABOUT d'ARENBERG: One of the undisputed kings of Australian Shiraz and Rhone varietals, d'Arenberg elevates individuality into an art form. The original vineyards were established by Joseph Osborn in 1912, in the McLaren Vale region of South Australia. The estate has grown to 345 acres, and the mantle now rests with fourth-generation winemaker Chester Osborn. Continued focus on traditional winemaking and the nurturing of old-vines has established the d'Arenberg clan 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.

