

THE DERELICT VINEYARD

Grenache 2007

McLaren Vale, Grenache (100%)

90 Points

James Halliday

The Australian Wine Companion 2011

This wine has a certain degree of toughness, but there is enough fragrant red fruits and inherent fruit sweetness to get the palate over the line, the savoury tannins not oppressive. To 2016.

91 Points

Wine & Spirits Magazine

A full, red-fruited grenache, this races from bright strawberry to darker tones of pomegranate. It's tart, with a sandy texture to the tannins that lends the wine firm grip. From the fruit of bush vines that had gone untended for years, rejuvenated for this earthy blend of old vineyards.

94 Points

The Advertiser Top 100

As the name says, a rejuvenated vineyard has come up trumps with this rugged little Aussie which smells of floral bushland and smokehouse smallgoods, followed by gorgeous dark fruits and a captivating minerally palate feel that cries out for robust French and Italian meat dishes.

Qantas The Australian Way

Osborn has restored many old, neglected grenache bush-vine vineyards in the McLaren Vale, hence the name. Yields are low, giving restraint and minerality to the wine. It's velvety and supple on the palate with grippy tannins.

91 Points

Campbell Mattinson

The Wine Front

d'Arenberg's commitment to Grenache has to be admired. It smells sweet and spicy and tastes it too, though its savoury tug of tannin ensures that it never seems lollied. It's a good, ripe wine with a savoury heart. Cedarwood, sand, raspberry and distinct 'minerally' notes. Finishes tight and controlled. Quality wine.

