

THE DERELICT VINEYARD

Grenache 2009

McLaren Vale, Grenache (100%)

94 Points

James Halliday

The Australian Wine Companion 2012

A darker and more savoury example of Grenache from the stable, with leather, black fruits, thyme and black olive; the palate delivers assertive acidity and fine tannins and the finish is long and expansive.

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Aromas of ripe fruit with hints of tar.

Full-bodied, with lots of spicy and funky character. Fascinating and fun. Screw cap. Drink now.

92 Points

Wine Taste Weekly

91 Points

Josh Reynolds

2011 International Wine Cellar

Bright ruby. Ripe cherry and plum on the nose, with complicating notes of mocha and dried rose. Round, fleshy dark fruit flavors show very good depth and pick up smokiness with air. A brighter note of redcurrant arrives on the long, sappy, floral-accented finish. I like this wine's focus and bite.

Matthew Jukes

Top 100 Australian Wines of 2012

With twelve months spent in oak this fragrant, herbal, pipe smoke and mulberry infused Grenache is absolutely captivating. d'Arenberg's recent red releases are among the best that I have seen in a decade, with 2008 Dead Arm surely being the epitome of its indomitable McLaren Vale style. There were very few pure Grenache wines that rocked my boat this year, which is a shame, so allow this wine to soothe your hectic taste buds with its mellifluous, calming, other-worldly flavours.

Scott Greenberg

Washington's Top News 'Wine of the Week'

From the McLaren Vale region of South Australia (this) is a far cry from its namesake. It shows up in the glass with wonderful aromas of violets, black cherry and blueberry jam followed up by luscious flavors of kirschwasser, liquorice, and spice on a medium-bodied frame. The fruit-driven finish is round and expansive.

4 Stars

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Tony Love

The Advertiser

Grenache and nothing but Grenache with traditional wine making processes in play, softly handled, again juicy, almost meaty.

Scott Greenberg

Washington's Top News

Australian winemakers love experimenting with Grenache, and I think the 2009 d'Arenberg Derelict Grenache, from the McLaren Vale of South Australia, is a very successful result. It shows off wonderful aromas of black cherry, blueberry jam and pencil lead, followed up by luscious flavors of kirschwasser, cherry, red licorice and pepper on a medium-bodied frame. The fruit-driven finish is round and expansive.

Nick Stock

Australian Gourmet Traveller Wine

Ripe jube-like fruits, earth, spice and a thread of wild herbs in a bold, direct style that is full of brash youthful character. It has a lovely balance.



d'Arenberg



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Jamie Goode

Wine Anorak

Sweet and a bit minty with earth and spice,
as well as good structure. Sweet berry fruits
and high acid, with a juicy finish.

