



d'Arenberg



THE STUMP JUMP

Shiraz (100%)

McLaren Vale 2013

Name

It is rumoured that the inventor of the Stump Jump plough, which enabled a ploughshare to jump over tree roots, had poor eyesight and required regular tests to ensure he could still operate machinery. The design of this label is inspired by an optometrist's eyechart and serves as a makeshift sobriety test. If you can hold the bottle at arm's length and still read the front label, you can enjoy another glass.

The Winemaking

The grapes used in this wine are mostly from very old bush vines, and underwent gentle crushing, traditional open tank fermentation, basket pressing and oak maturation prior to bottling.

The Vintage

A warm and dry spring and summer followed by further dry conditions throughout harvest meant a number of things. Firstly disease pressure was negligible, the vast majority of fruit being very clean. Secondly yields were down. Finally ripening happened relatively quickly. From a quality perspective in regards to reds, these conditions produced wines of incredible colour and flavour. Dark, brooding wines with great volumes of fruit and layers of chewy, velvety tannin structure. Big, concentrated wines but beautifully balanced.

The Wine

A wonderfully lifted nose brimming with fruit pastilles, a mixed bouquet of flowers and spicy, white pepper. The palate shows an ample volume of fruit weight. Opulent, but checked by the powdery line of tannins that grow through the length of the wine, taking firm charge towards the finish. All the while, a raft of flavours ebb and flow, more jubes and spice, met by hints of Autumn leaves and fresh soil which add complexity and interest. A fresh, lively and generous wine that would sit proudly beside some of its more expensive counterparts.

Chief Winemaker	Chester Osborn	Senior Winemaker	Jack Walton
Residual sugar	1.4 g/L	Titrateable acid	7.4
pH	3.43	Alcohol	14.4%

