



# HENSCHKE



## Hill of Roses Shiraz 2001

### Grape Variety

100% shiraz grown in the Eden Valley wine region.

### Technical Details

*Harvest Date:* 18 April | *Alcohol:* 14.0 % | *pH:* 3.48 | *Acidity:* 5.9 g/L

### Maturation

Matured in new French oak hogsheads for two years.

### Background

This wine is named as a tribute to Johann Gottlieb Rosenzweig, one of the early Barossa Lutheran pioneers who settled at Parrot Hill in the Barossa Range whose name translates as 'rose twig'. Their toil, perseverance and conservatism in hardship has meant the many generations that followed have rejoiced in the riches of those prudent efforts. Shiraz, growing on the fertile slopes in the Eden Valley region, is just one of those blessings. The wine is produced from a small selection of low-yielding, dry-grown shiraz vines from the Hill of Grace vineyard, named the Post Office Block, that are a mere 18 years old, at present too young to be considered for inclusion in Hill of Grace vintages. The quality of the grapes from this selection has produced a wine that was too good to be declassified and warranted a separate bottling and limited release. Extremely limited production. The Post Office ruins are on land that used to be Rosenzweig property.

### Vintage Description

Good winter and spring rains continued on to our hottest summer on record. Occasional timely thunderstorms offered a few millimetres of wonderful refreshing rain. Vintage began two to three weeks early providing only average yields but exceptional reds.

### Wine Description

Deep crimson colour. Sweet spicy lifted bouquet of raspberry, plum and blueberry fruits with hints of anise, cigar box and mint with smoky oak complexity. The palate has sweet fruit, is rich and soft, fleshy, complex and concentrated, with excellent structure and length and silky tannins, and has a seamless creamy finish.

### Cellaring Potential

Exceptional vintage,  
15 + years cellaring.