



# HENSCHKE

*Exceptional wines from outstanding vineyards*



## Cellaring Potential

Great vintage,  
15+ years (from vintage)

## Mount Edelstone Shiraz 2000

### Grape Variety

100% 88-year-old-vine shiraz grown in the Eden Valley wine region.

### Technical Details

*Harvest Date: 27 March-14 April | Alcohol: 14% | pH: 3.34 | Acidity: 6.6g/L*

### Maturation

Matured in 80% new, 20% used French and American hogsheads for 18 months prior to blending and bottling.

### Background

In 1912 Ronald Angas planted the sandy loam slopes of Mount Edelstone with shiraz. Located high in the Eden Valley region this vineyard came to be known as Mount Edelstone, meaning gemstone. The 88-year-old ungrafted dry-grown vines from this historic single vineyard are low yielding, producing a depth of colour, concentration of flavour, length and maturity of tannins unique to old-vine shiraz. Mount Edelstone has achieved a formidable reputation since its first vintage in 1952.

### Vintage Description

Vintage 2000 vintage was small and early. Another drought winter, frost at the end of October, poor flower development in spring and the unseasonal cool temperatures in late October/early November led to yields. This was compounded by searing summer temperatures and a large amount of rain at the end of February - 100mm of rain over 24 hours courtesy of a tropical cyclone up north - which caused splitting of fruit, mould infections and subsequent shrivel and raisining. Overall, the whites are delicate with good flavor intensity while the reds are showing great potential for ageing.

### Wine Description

Deep crimson with red hues. Sweet and spicy with developed earthy, gamey hints and blackberry, plum, anise aromas, subtle vanilla notes and ferny hints. Rich with good intensity of fruit and texture across the palate, soft and full with excellent balance, velvety tannins and good length.