



# HENSCHKE

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## 2013 THE ALAN

### GRAPE VARIETY

100% pinot noir grown on the Henschke Lenswood Archer's Vineyard in the Adelaide Hills, managed with organic and biodynamic practices.

### TECHNICAL DETAILS

Harvest Date: 20 February – 1 March | Alcohol: 13.5% | pH: 3.53 | Acidity: 5.74g/L

### MATURATION

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### WINE DESCRIPTION

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### BACKGROUND

The Alan is a reserve release of hand-selected pinot noir from the Henschke Lenswood Archer's Vineyard. The vineyard, located high in the central cool-climate Adelaide Hills was first planted in the early 1980's and became an extension of the Henschke Lenswood property in 2010. The wine is named in memory of Alan Archer, a former owner of the property and an old friend of the Henschke family, whose love of wine and food helped to create The Chesser Cellar's fame, a dining institution in Adelaide for many years.

### VINTAGE DESCRIPTION

The 2013 harvest was expected to be early, with the full moon of Easter very close to the autumn equinox, and sure enough budburst started early in spring 2012. All varieties woke to a cool and mild spring that led into a mild November, with warm days and nights providing excellent conditions for flowering. Spring was conspicuous for its dryness but thankfully frost free, and as summer approached the vines developed beautifully balanced canopies and rain was just a distant memory. It was not to rain again until the end of harvest, seven dry months that produced a green drought. As harvest time approached, it was abundantly clear that 2013 was going to be exceptional in terms of yield and quality across all varieties. The 2013 harvest will be remembered as near perfection in a year of snow and drought, truly a rare and excellent vintage.

### DRINKING WINDOW

Excellent vintage;  
drink now to 2030.

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