

HENSCHKE

Exceptional wines from outstanding vineyards



Keyneton Estate 1991

Grape Variety

65% shiraz, 25% cabernet sauvignon, 10% malbec grown in the Eden Valley and Barossa Valley (Barossa).

Technical Details

Harvest Date: Late April | Alcohol: 14% | pH: 3.33 | Acidity: 6.4g/L

Maturation

Matured in new and seasoned French and American hogsheads prior to blending and bottling. Bottle aged at Henschke Cellars in Keyneton for cellar release.

Background

Named as a tribute to an early English pioneer Joseph Keynes, who settled at Keyneton in 1842 and after whom the village was named. Produced from the combination of low-yielding, ungrafted dry grown vines, many of which were planted in the 1960s by fourth-generation winemaker, Cyril, at Henschke's Eden Valley vineyard.

Vintage Description

The lead-up to the 1991 vintage began with a short winter spell and below average rainfall. A mild spring provided conditions for an early budburst and flowering, followed by a warm to hot summer. These warm to hot conditions produced fruit with high sugar levels and below average yields, yet great concentration of colour and flavour, and the earliest harvest on record.

Wine Description

Brick red with crimson hues. Sweet, developed aromas of stewed plums, beef stock, leather and freshly turned earth with hints of vanilla, cedar, dried herbs and mocha. The palate is rich and concentrated with flavours of mulberry, red currant, dried herbs and spices; soft and textured with balanced acidity, velvety tannins, finishing with beautiful intensity and length.

Cellaring Potential

Great vintage, 20+ years (from vintage). Ideal to drink now. Reviewed May 2013