OVER 150 YEARS OF FAMILY WINEMAKING



CELLARING POTENTIAL

Exceptional vintage, 25+ years (from vintage).

REVIEWED June 2019

2019 GREEN'S HILL

GRAPE VARIETY

100% riesling grown on the Henschke Lenswood Vineyard in the Adelaide Hills, managed with organic and biodynamic practices.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Harvest Date: 6 - 7 March | Alcohol: 12% | pH: 2.92 | Acidity: 7.81g/L

MATURATION

Fermented in tank and bottled post-vintage to preserve the delicate aromatic fruit characters.

WINE DESCRIPTION

Pale green-gold in colour. Fragrant, floral aromas of citrus blossom, lemon zest and lime leaf with hints of almond blossom and stone-fruit. Vibrant citrus and delicate passionfruit husk and white peach flavours are supported by a beautiful line of minerality and textural acidity for an elegant and lush finish.

BACKGROUND

Fifth-generation winemakers Stephen and Prue Henschke established their Lenswood vineyard in the Adelaide Hills in 1981. At 550m, the Lenswood vineyard offers not only magnificent views over the traditional vine country, but also higher rainfall and humidity at the right time of the year, cooler temperatures to retain high natural acidity, and still enough sunshine to fully ripen the grapes. The Green's Hill riesling is planted on a perfect west-facing slope, on loam soil containing shale fragments. It was so named as it overlooks the apple orchards operated by the Green family since 1893.

VINTAGE DESCRIPTION

Vintage 2019 provided generally good growing conditions for the Adelaide Hills, with three notable events: the coldest September on record, the wettest November since 2005 and a mini heat wave on the cusp of January/February that the Adelaide Hills rode out extremely well due to good canopy cover. A rapid progression in berry maturation was kick-started by the Harvest Moon falling right on the spring Equinox, with all varieties ripening at the same time. Hand-harvesting was done in three weeks, bookended by the early sparkling and late red varieties. Yields were down by 20-50% due to 'hen and chicken' (berries of different sizes) from the cold, wet period during flowering, however quality was exceedingly good in both white and red varieties as a result of better conditions during ripening.

ACCOLADES

Silver Medal – 2019 Adelaide Hills Wine Show

