



# HENSCHKE

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## 2014 HILL OF PEACE

### GRAPE VARIETY

100% semillon planted by fourth-generation Louis Henschke in 1952 on the Henschke Hill of Grace Vineyard in the Eden Valley wine region, managed with organic and biodynamic practices.

### TECHNICAL DETAILS

Harvest Date: 20 February | Alcohol: 12% | pH: 3.26 | Acidity: 6.3g/L

### MATURATION

Matured in 100% seasoned 225L French oak barriques for 10 months. Bottle-aged in the Henschke cellar prior to release to develop further complexity and balance.

### WINE DESCRIPTION

Pale gold with green hues. Intense, pure aromas of citrus blossom, lime zest, mandarin and lemon curd, with hints of jasmine, ginger spice and vanilla. A creamy, textural palate of stone fruit, green apple, lemon balm and candied lime builds richness across the mid-palate, with vibrant acidity leading to a long, elegant finish.

### BACKGROUND

Hill of Peace is named as a tribute to the early Barossa Silesian community who settled at historic Parrot Hill in the Eden Valley. Their toil, perseverance and conservatism in hardship has meant that the many generations that followed have rejoiced in the riches of those prudent efforts. This wine is just one of those blessings. The semillon vineyard lies across from the Gnadenberg ('Hill of Grace') Church and Cemetery. This single-vineyard wine is produced from low-yielding, dry-grown semillon vines planted in 1952 by fourth-generation grower Louis Henschke, on shallow red-brown earths in the Hill of Grace Vineyard. The quality of the fruit has produced a single-vineyard wine with unique site expression, which was carefully matured in French oak before its limited release.

### VINTAGE DESCRIPTION

The 2014 moon cycles put Easter quite late in the season, so the expectation of a late harvest prevailed until South Australia experienced its record number of heat days over 40C in January, culminating in the worst bushfire in Eden Valley in living memory, and followed by the wettest February in 44 years. Fortunately Eden Valley was still in veraison, which allowed the quenching rain to rebalance the fruit, particularly in the older dry-grown vineyards. The change to mild autumnal weather in late February after the rains allowed for a focus on early vintage white varieties, while the red varieties continued to fully ripen. March became colder and wetter, which seemed to change to a winter pattern after the equinox, resulting in one of the longest and latest vintages. In summary, a challenging season with excellent quality but very low yields.

### DRINKING WINDOW

Exceptional vintage;  
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