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Exceptional wines from outstanding vineyards

Tilly's Vineyard 2015

Grape Variety

46% semillon, 17% sauvignon blanc, 17% riesling, 11% chardonnay, 9% pinot gris grown in Henschke's Eden Valley vineyard (51%) and Lenswood vineyard in the Adelaide Hills (49%).

Technical Details

Harvest Date: 12 February-16 March | *Alcohol:* 13% | *pH:* 3.26 | *Acidity:* 5.86g/L

Maturation

Fermented in tank and bottled post-vintage to preserve the wine's fragrant characteristics.

Background

This attractive, fragrant blend is named as a tribute to great-aunt Ottilie Mathilde 'Tilly' Henschke, one of the many remarkable women of the era where daily life was a far cry from the ease of today.

Vintage Description

A traditionally wet winter, mild spring and excellent fruit set provided a great start to the 2015 vintage after four vintages with below average yields. Spring was dry and led into a very mild, dry summer with no disease, resulting in fruit with higher natural acidity, and incredible flavour and colour concentration. A dry, warm and windy start to January, however, resulted in one of the worst bushfires in the Adelaide Hills in living memory, though well away from our Lenswood vineyards. By the end of the first week, relief came with 60-75mm of rain and a record-breaking coolest January in 11 years. With the onset of veraison at the end of January, the rain was perfectly timed for the old dry-grown vineyards, and the mild weather that followed from February through to April provided for a fairytale vintage. Most of our white varieties and some Eden Valley shiraz were in before Easter, moving on to the rest of our Eden Valley and Adelaide Hills red varieties soon after, and eventually winding down at the end of April as the rain and cooler temperatures set in. The 2015 vintage has provided stunning signature riesling and elegant shiraz from Eden Valley that show extraordinary flavour, purity of fruit and acid balance with the potential for excellent ageing.

Wine Description

Brilliant pale straw yellow with gold to lime green hues. Fragrant aromas of gooseberries, guava, honeysuckle and white nectarine with hints of blackcurrant leaf and lemongrass. The palate is layered with succulent flavours of nashi pear, white currant and lemon thyme, complemented by crunchy acidity and texture. A wine of excellent balance, minerality and focus with a refreshing and long finish.



Cellaring Potential

Exceptional vintage,
10+ years (from vintage).

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