



HENSCHKE

Exceptional wines from outstanding vineyards



Louis Eden Valley Semillon 2000

Grape Variety

100% semillon grown in Eden Valley.

Technical Details

Harvest Date: 17-18 April | Alcohol: 12.9% | pH: 3.12 | Acidity: 6.2g/L

Background

A tribute to Louis Edmund Henschke (1919-1990), the fourth-generation grower of the Hill of Grace vineyard. His expertise as a vigneron has resulted in a legacy in the form of the famous vineyard being maintained using long-term organic principles. The semillon is a reserve selection from vines up to 50 years old, grown in the Henschke vineyard at Eden Valley.

Vintage Description

Vintage 2000 vintage was small and early. Another drought winter, frost at the end of October, poor flower development in spring and the unseasonal cool temperatures in late October/early November led to yields. This was compounded by searing summer temperatures and a large amount of rain at the end of February - 100mm of rain over 24 hours courtesy of a tropical cyclone up north - which caused splitting of fruit, mould infections and subsequent shrivel and raisining. Overall, the whites are delicate with good flavor intensity while the reds are showing great potential for ageing.

Wine Description

Rich gold in colour. Fragrant sweet honey, clover blossom, grassy, clove/vanilla spice with underlying hints of lemon zest and honey yoghurt. A rich mouth-filling complex palate with a fleshy structure and a lingering crisp finish.

Cellaring Potential

Exceptional vintage,
drink now to 2010.