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Peggy's Hill Riesling 2006

Grape Variety

100% riesling grown in Eden Valley.

Technical Details

Harvest Date: 10-30 March | Alcohol: 13% | pH: 2.98 | Acidity: 6.8g/L

Maturation

Fermented in tank and bottled post-vintage to preserve the wine's delicate fruit characters.

Background

The riesling takes its name from a local landmark, Peggy's Hill, at the top of the range between Eden Valley and Keyneton. Produced from selected traditional Henschke Eden Valley growers, whose vines are up to 50 years old, growing in low-vigour ancient Cambrian soils at around 500m altitude. The Eden Valley riesling displays exceptional varietal and regional characteristics.

Vintage Description

The 2006 vintage shaped up as another high quality year but with only average yields in the Barossa. After a late break in mid June 2005, winter and spring rains were some of the best for years in the lead-up to flowering in early summer. Some varieties such as riesling and shiraz suffered more than others from poor set, leading to 'hen and chicken'. While there was some damage in Eden Valley from frost, this had only minor impact on the overall yield; however, yields in most varieties were down by 15-20%. The summer was mild with southerly winds, reminiscent of 2002. Brief heat waves occurred in late January and mid February but were early enough not to affect quality, with only minor sunburn on exposed fruit. Whites were nearly all picked by the end of March, an unusual situation

Wine Description

Gold in colour with green hues. Sweet, fragrant aromas of lemon pith, zesty brown lime, white stone fruit and white currant with hints of clove, talc and minerals. The richly fruited palate has a lovely intensity and depth of citrus flavours with pure acid that is just softening, and a long, lingering finish.



Cellaring Potential

Great vintage,
15+ years (from vintage).

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