



HENSCHKE

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2017 PEGGY'S HILL

GRAPE VARIETY

100% riesling grown in the Eden Valley wine region.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Harvest Date: 14 March – 11 April | Alcohol: 12% | pH: 2.98 | Acidity: 6.81g/L

MATURATION

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

WINE DESCRIPTION

Pale straw in colour with green hues. Vibrant aromas of lime leaf, lemon sherbert and lime marmalade are interwoven with notes of frangipani, white rose, jasmine, citrus blossom, white peach and fresh honeycomb. An intense and generous palate of lemon and lime zest and white stone-fruit flavours is balanced by a savoury line of green peppercorn, bright, refreshing acidity and a textured, supple core, leading to a crisp, dry and long finish. Delicious to drink now.

BACKGROUND

This riesling takes its name from a local landmark, Peggy's Hill, at the top of the range between the villages of Eden Valley and Keyneton. It is produced from a selection of longstanding Eden Valley riesling growers, whose vines range from 10 to 70 years of age, growing in low-vigour, ancient Cambrian soils at around 500m altitude. Peggy's Hill Riesling displays exceptional varietal and regional characteristics of lemon and lime citrus, white florals and fine acidity.

VINTAGE DESCRIPTION

A later start to picking and a mild period of ripening finished with the last grapes being picked in mid-May. A wet 2016 winter gave us a good foundation for our predominantly dry-grown vines on their own roots, and a cool, wet and fiercely windy spring followed, with a slightly higher spring rainfall than the Barossa Valley, which delayed flowering, though conditions during set meant that yields were at average levels. A mild summer with regular rainfall events followed, which allowed the grapes to reach full physiological maturity. The significant rainfall events largely missed our area and therefore we harvested the majority of our grapes in healthy condition. As always, careful hand picking in the vineyard and sorting of grapes as they were processed made sure that quality was not compromised. 2017 will be characterised by impeccably floral and vibrant rieslings, an indicator of the slightly cooler conditions.

ACCOLADES

2017 National Wine Show of Australia - The Riesling Trophy
2017 Royal Adelaide Wine Show - Gold Medal

CELLARING POTENTIAL

Exceptional vintage;
drink now to 2035+

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