



HENSCHKE

OVER 150 YEARS OF FAMILY WINEMAKING



2017 SPRINGTON SELECTION RESERVE

GRAPE VARIETY

100% riesling grown near Springton in the Eden Valley wine region.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Harvest Date: 17 March | Alcohol: 12% | pH: 2.91 | Acidity: 7.21g/L

MATURATION

Fermented in tank and bottled post-vintage to preserve the aromatic fruit characters. Bottle aged in the Henschke cellar for museum release.

WINE DESCRIPTION

Pale lemon with green hues. Fragrant aromas of honey blossom, lemon, lime and grapefruit, with hints of chamomile and clove. Vibrant and fresh flavours of finger lime, lemon pith, white peach, jasmine and acacia flower are layered with toasted notes. The palate is pure and fine with an incredibly dense texture, bright youthful acidity and excellent length.

BACKGROUND

Fourth-generation winemaker, Cyril developed the Henschke reputation for premium riesling wines as early as the 1950s from the vineyard areas of Eden Valley, Keyneton and Springton in the Eden Valley wine region. This old-vine single vineyard at Springton lies at the cooler southern end of the region at around 450 metres, producing a distinctive crisp mineral lime riesling with exceptional ageing potential.

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 beautiful anise and black pepper, an indicator of our slightly cooler conditions.

DRINKING WINDOW

Great vintage;
drink now to 2045+.

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