



# HENSCHKE

OVER 150 YEARS OF FAMILY WINEMAKING



## 2025 JULIUS

### GRAPE VARIETY

100% riesling grown on the Henschke Eden Valley Vineyard, managed with organic and biodynamic practices, as well as selected high-quality vineyards in the Eden Valley wine region.

### TECHNICAL DETAILS

Harvest Date: 25 – 28 February | Alcohol: 11.7% | pH: 2.95 | Acidity: 7.4g/L

### MATURATION

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

### WINE DESCRIPTION

Pale lemon with green hues. Fragrant aromas of orange blossom, frangipani and lime zest are lifted by hints of elderflower, white rose and chamomile. A rich and elegant palate of finger lime, white peach, pink grapefruit, lemon and musk is driven by pure minerality and crisp acidity, carrying through to a long and focused finish.

### BACKGROUND

Fourth-generation winemaker, Cyril developed the Henschke reputation for premium Eden Valley riesling from 1961. This region provides ideal ripening conditions for riesling and a unique track record of exceptional ageing potential. The Henschke Eden Valley riesling vineyard is planted on sandy loam over gravel and bedrock with patches of clay. Since 1992, this wine has been named as a tribute to ancestor Albert Julius Henschke (1888-1955), a highly acclaimed craftsman, artist and sculptor. Julius was recognised for his ornate headstones and angel sculptures at the Gnadenberg Cemetery, as well as his most celebrated work, the inspiring National War Memorial on North Terrace in Adelaide.

### VINTAGE DESCRIPTION

The 2025 growing season began under continued dry conditions, with below-average winter rainfall failing to replenish soil moisture. Unseasonably warm late-winter weather prompted an early budburst, followed by a devastating frost event in mid-September that caused widespread damage across much of south-eastern Australia. Remarkably, vine recovery exceeded expectations, with fruitful secondary buds forming bunches on new shoots. Supplementary irrigation was required to maintain vine health throughout winter, spring, and summer. Although yields were expected to be low, they surpassed conservative estimates. Like spring, summer also arrived early, with a warming trend from mid-November laying the foundation for one of the hottest and driest seasons in living memory. Fortunately, early February saw only short bursts of heat. Eden Valley riesling fared well, with harvest occurring in the cooler part of February.

### CELLARING POTENTIAL

Excellent vintage;  
20+ years (from vintage).

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