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2024 ROESLEIN

GRAPE VARIETY

100% barbera grown on the Henschke Eden Valley Vineyard, managed with organic and biodynamic practices.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Harvest Date: 4 April | Alcohol: 14% | pH: 3.3 | Acidity: 7.12g/L

MATURATION

Matured in 100% seasoned French oak hogsheads for 7 months prior to blending and bottling.

WINE DESCRIPTION

Dark crimson with ruby hues. Enticing aromas of morello cherry, raspberry and plum are interwoven with crushed flowering herbs, star anise, nutmeg and cocoa. The palate is vibrant and expressive, revealing mulberry, black cherry and rhubarb, complemented by bright acidity and fine-grained tannins that drive a long, persistent finish.

BACKGROUND

The Henschke barbera vines were planted on rocky loam soils adjacent to the nebbiolo in 2002, on a north-facing slope at the source of the North Para River in Eden Valley. The Roeslein (little rose) name is a tribute to the early Roesler (occupational name for rose grower) family property, now the Henschke Eden Valley Vineyard. This small parcel of low-yielding barbera was hand selected and vinified in open-top fermenters, resulting in a medium-bodied, vibrant style.

VINTAGE DESCRIPTION

The lead up to the 2024 season in the Eden Valley was characterised by significant rainfall in June, followed by a dry spring. Variable fruit set and frost impacted the yield potential, however rain at the beginning of December assisted canopy and berry development and good soil moisture levels supported vine growth well into January. The mild summer weather eventually warmed up and dried out, with some short bursts of heat, leading into a warm, dry autumn, which delivered optimal maturity and ripeness in the fruit. Our focus on canopy health in the vineyard was vital and this attention to detail resulted in impressive colour and intensity of fruit character in our red wines, with excellent tannin maturity and evocative aromas.

CELLARING POTENTIAL

Exceptional vintage; 25+ years (from vintage).

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