



# HENSCHKE

*Exceptional wines from outstanding vineyards*



## Cyril Henschke Cabernet Sauvignon 1994

### Grape Variety

77% cabernet sauvignon, 12% merlot and 11% cabernet franc grapes grown in the Eden Valley region.

### Technical Details

*Harvest Date:* 21-April - 6 May | *Alcohol:* 14.5% | *pH:* 3.57 | *Acidity:* 6.1g/l

### Maturation

The wine was matured for 15 months in new French Nevers and American oak hogsheads prior to bottling.

### Background

The cabernet sauvignon label carries the name Cyril Henschke (1924-1979) as a tribute to one of Australia's outstanding winemaking pioneers, renowned for the production of varietal table wines, with the accent on quality and flavor. Cyril Henschke planted cabernet sauvignon at Eden Valley in the 1960s.

### Vintage Description

Due to a mild dry summer there was quite a late, slow start to vintage. March temperatures were mild to high, which had a dramatic affect causing everything to ripen at once. The fruit quality was just fantastic, with below average yields and fabulous colours, flavours and acid balance in the reds. The 1994 was one of our best years on record.

### Wine Description

Deep crimson in colour, the bouquet has sweet lifted notes of blackcurrants, mint, vanilla, black olive, tar and anise. The palate is sweet, ripe and exotic and layered and soft, with overtones of cedar. This full bodied wine is very complex with great depth and length. Well structured, the wine finishes with long, fine grained, mature tannins.

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### Cellaring Potential

Exceptional Vintage