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Cyril Henschke Cabernet Sauvignon 1992

Grape Variety

85% cabernet sauvignon, 10% merlot and 5% cabernet franc grown in the Henschke Eden Valley estate vineyard.

Technical Details

Harvest Date: late April | *Alcohol:* 13% | *pH:* 3.47 | *Acidity:* 6.3g/L

Maturation

Matured in new French Nevers oak hogsheads and barriques for 15 months prior to blending and 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 flavour. Cyril Henschke planted cabernet sauvignon at Eden Valley in the 1960s.

Vintage Description

Vintage was preceded by a late wet winter, although the yearly rainfall was 50mm below average. The mild spring was ideal for flowering and encouraged excellent berry set. A long, dry, cool summer with the coolest January on record delayed harvest. Despite the predictions of being just above average, actual yields were only 10% less than the big 1990 vintage.

Wine Description

Brick red with tawny hues. Complex aromas of beef stock, bitumen, dried bay leaves and crispy tobacco leaves. The elegant, mouthfilling palate of red currants accented with plum spice is supported by seamless tannins. Drinking well.

Reviewed May 2010



Cellaring Potential

Very good vintage,
drink now to 2015.