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Henschke Mount Edelstone Shiraz is a prestigious single-vineyard wine from Eden Valley, South Australia. Known for its deep flavors and exceptional aging potential, this wine is a standout example of Australian Shiraz.

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Alcohol :14,50 %

Composition: 100% Syrah

Mount Edelstone Shiraz 2018

Eden Valley, Australia

Region and Vineyards

Henschke's Mount Edelstone Vineyard is located in the **Eden Valley**, a sub-region of the Barossa Valley in South Australia. Eden Valley is known for its cooler climate compared to the Barossa Valley floor, providing ideal conditions for growing high-quality Shiraz.

The Mount Edelstone Vineyard was established in **1912**, making it one of the oldest single-vineyard Shiraz sites in Australia. The vineyard sits at an altitude of around 400 meters above sea level, which contributes to the unique microclimate and terroir of the wine. The soils are deep red-brown clay-loam over a limestone base, which helps to produce intensely flavored and structured wines.

Winemaking

The grapes for the Mount Edelstone Shiraz are handpicked and sorted before fermentation. Fermentation takes place in traditional open-top fermenters, and the wine is then aged in a combination of new and seasoned French and American oak barrels for approximately 18 months.

This careful aging process adds complexity and depth to the wine, allowing it to develop its distinctive characteristics.

Tasting Notes

- **Color:** Deep crimson red.
- **Aroma:** Aromas of rich dark fruits such as blackberry and plum, complemented by notes of black pepper, anise, and hints of cedar and vanilla from the oak aging.
- **Palate:** Full-bodied with a robust structure, the palate showcases concentrated flavors of ripe black fruits, supported by well-integrated tannins and balanced acidity. Layers of spice, chocolate, and a touch of earthy minerality add complexity to the long, elegant finish.



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Did you know?

The name "Edelstone" is derived from the German words "edel" meaning noble and "stein" meaning stone, reflecting both the vineyard's German heritage and the rocky soils that contribute to the wine's quality.

Wine Pairing Ideas

Henschke Mount Edelstone Shiraz pairs beautifully with rich, hearty dishes. Consider pairing it with grilled or roasted meats such as lamb, beef, or game. It also complements strong-flavored cheeses and dishes with robust sauces or marinades.



James Halliday (JH) : 98 Points (2018)

I lived on the property that lies between the Mount Edelstone and Hill of Grace vineyards for eight years. My god it's a beautiful part of the world. Planted in 1912 by George Fife Angus and purchased by Cyril Henschke in 1974, though it had been bottled as a single-vineyard wine since 1952. Picture perfect blackberry and blackcurrant fruits, shades of mixed spice, purple floral tones, earth, licorice, rosehip and crushed quartz. A gorgeous expression of site, pure with long, ripe tannins, lacy mineral-laden acidity providing clarity and drive and a finish that sails on for some time before finishing chalky and sustained.



Decanter (DCT) : 98 Points (2018)

First bottled in 1952 by Stephen Henschke's father Cyril, this renowned cuvée is likely Australia's longest consecutively produced single-site wine, from a vineyard planted in 1912. A gem of a old-vine wine in every sense (it is named for the yellow opals once found in the area), it is spectacular in this vintage. The mouthfeel is seductive and supple, carrying trademark savoury bay leaf, sage and peppercorn notes that integrate beautifully into ripe, black bramble and blood plum flavours. Structure for long ageing is assured by firm yet velvety tannins and fresh acidity. A gorgeous, opulent, complex wine that, on several tastings over three days, I preferred to Hill of Grace.



James Suckling (JS) : 97 Points (2018)

Serious, fulfilling nose but super elegant, with subtle spices, sage, spearmint, heather, ink, dark chocolate, red-berry fruit and blueberries. A refreshing citrus note, reminiscent of bergamot. Almost plush but nothing heavy here, instead, this is quite ethereal with agility on the palate with even, ultra-fine tannins that are beguilingly sweet.

