



# HENTLEY FARM



## KEITH HENTSCHKE

Hentley Farm was founded in 1997, thanks to the vision and dedication of Keith and Alison Hentschke, who dreamed of creating exceptional single estate wines from the heart of the Barossa Valley.

Keith brought impressive credentials to this endeavor, studying Agricultural Science and Wine Marketing at Roseworthy College, where he was honored with the prestigious Gramp Hardy Smith Memorial Prize for the college's most outstanding student. His extensive experience in the wine industry included senior production and operational roles at Orlando Wyndham, Fabal (a vineyard management company), and Nepenthe.

During these formative years, Keith diligently searched for the perfect site, consulting with local winemakers and viticulturalists. Their advice was clear: "Head northwest (Barossa) and look for the red/brown soil over limestone."

The area's reputation for high-quality red wines solidified their decision to focus on Seppeltsfield.

Using an old soil map from the 1950's to strategically locate the best parcels of land, he discovered a 100 acre mixed farming property set among the rolling hills on the banks of Greenock Creek in Barossa's west. This land boasted remarkable soil diversity, varying aspects, and altitudes, which would become the foundation of Hentley Farm.

In 2004, they expanded the estate by acquiring a neighboring vineyard. This vineyard shared the cherished natural amphitheater of rolling hills surrounding Hentley Farm, enhancing the site's diversity.

Today, Hentley Farm spans 150 acres of prime Barossa Valley terroir, producing wines that embody the unique character of this exceptional single estate.