Magill Estate Shiraz 2004

Magill Estate Shiraz is a very important PENFOLDS single-vineyard wine. It is of great symbolic importance because it is sourced from the remaining original vineyard (5.2 ha) in the original PENFOLDS winery at Magill, established in 1844, in Adelaide's eastern suburbs.

First made in 1983, PENFOLDS Magill Estate Shiraz is an elegant, medium-weight style with velvety texture and fine tannins, matured in both new French and American oak. It is a sleek, contemporary wine, yet crafted in the old-fashioned way in the 120+ year-old winery: hand-picked, vinified in open fermenters and then basket pressed.

Winemaker comments by Peter Gago - PENFOLDS Chief Winemaker

At the time of writing, deep red with a purple centre.

Quince paste and fruit mince pie aromas are complexed by ground black pepper, clove and cinnamon notes. An appealing 'barrel ferment' char is evident...wetted charcoal and walnut husk. Aromatically, this wine is distinctly Magill, focused and facilitated by open fermentation and basket pressing.

Vibrant! Flavours akin to melted liqueur cherry dark chocolate, fresh coffee-ground and plum fruits. The palate is texturally distinctive - fine tannins sit nicely, coating the entire tongue and finishing with an impressive grip. An underpinning of stylish, cedar oak completes this crafted package.

This wine is complete and distinctive...truly an estate wine in every sense. 2004 was a strong year for Magill Estate Shiraz and is nicely timed, coinciding with this monopole's 21st birthday.