

Henry's Drive Shiraz

2010



Handcrafting wines from our family vineyards in Padthaway, South Australia, Henry's Drive Vignerons is named in admiration of the 19th century mail coach service that once drove through our property.

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During the nineteenth century establishment of the farming and wine industries of south eastern South Australia, only horse drawn coaches provided the transit of mail and passengers. The coach drivers reigned supreme on top of their coaches and won the respect and admiration of their passengers.

The coach service proprietor in this part of the state was a certain Mr Henry John Hill. His operation drove directly through a property, owned more recently by three generations of the Longbottom family of Padthaway. Routes were known as Drives, thus the family's wine business is today known as Henry's Drive.

- Aroma – Eucalypt, graphite and dark cherry
 - Palate – Blackberry fruit, licorice and mocha
 - Provenance – Grown in red loam over limestone in our family vineyards in Padthaway
 - Winemaking – Harvested in mid-march, most of the fruit is initially barrel fermented, then undergoes malolactic fermentation before hand selection of the finest barrels
 - Maturation – 15-18 months in 60% French and 40% American oak, ranging in age from new to three year old
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