

# **HENRY'S DRIVE**

## Padthaway, Australia

Named after the proprietor of the 19th century mail coach service that once ran through their property, Henry's Drive Vignerons is the wine operation established by Kim Longbottom and her late husband Mark. 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 Henry John Hill. His operation drove directly through a property, owned more recently by the Longbottom family. Today, Kim continues to build the business in honor of Mark; with fine winemaking and brands such as Henry's Drive, Parson's Flat, The Trial of John Montford, Dead Letter Office, The Postmistress, The Scarlet Letter, Pillar Box and Morse Code. These wines are testament to Kim and Mark's dedication to crafting fine wines from Padthaway, one of one of Australia's great wine growing regions.

In 1992, the first Henry's Drive vines were planted. The best suited sites from the Longbottom farming properties were selected and have proven to consistently produce fruit with great depth of color, flavor and aroma. Since 1992, we have steadily grown the acreage in Padthaway to 300 and have an additional 30 acres in McLaren Vale. The vines are planted in several sites throughout the Padthaway valley; the differing aspects and soil types provide a variety of flavor profiles which allows us to build more complexity into our wines.

#### **Pillar Box White**

2008 - 89 Pts, "over-delivers in a big way" Wine Advocate

2006 - 88 Pts, Wine Advocate

#### **Pillar Box Red**

**2010 - 89 Pts,** *Wine Advocate* 

**89 Pts,** Wine Spectator

2008 - 89 Pts, "perennial Best Buy" Wine Advocate

**2007 - 90 Pts,** *Wine Advocate* 

**2006 - 91 Pts,** *Wine Advocate* 

#### Pillar Box Reserve Shiraz

2008 - 92 Pts, Wine Spectator

**2007 - 91 Pts,** *Wine Advocate* 

2007 - 90 Pts, "Editor's Choice" Wine Enthusiast

**2006 - 92 Pts,** *Wine Advocate* 

#### **Pillar Box Reserve Cabernet**

2010 - 91 Pts, Wine Enthusiast

2009 - 88 Pts, Wine Advocate

#### **Morse Code Chardonnay**

2010 - 86 Pts, The Wine Advocate

2009 - 87 Pts, "Best Buy" Wine Enthusiast

#### **Morse Code Shiraz**

2011 - "Under \$15" Wine Pick Wine Spectator

2008 - "Best Buy" Wine Enthusiast

2008 - 88 PPts, "Smart Buy" Wine Spectator

#### Postmistress Blanc de Blanc Chardonnay

2010 - 'Best Buy' Wine Enthusiast

### **2011 Hot Prospect Brands!**

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#### Pillar Box





	Dead Letter office Shiraz		Henry's Drive Shiraz
2009	<b>90</b> + Wine Advocate	2008	<b>92</b> Wine Advocate
	90 Wine Spectator "Inside"		90 Wine Enthusiast
2008	91 Wine Enthusiast	2007	<b>91</b> Wine Advocate
	<b>90</b> Wine Spectator		<b>89</b> Wine Spectator
2007	90 Wine Advocate	2006	<b>90</b> Wine Spectator
2006	<b>90</b> Wine Spectator	2005	<b>91</b> Wine Advocate
2006	90 Wine Spectator	2004	<b>91</b> Wine Advocate
2006	90 Wine Spectator	2003	<b>93</b> Wine Advocate
2005	90 Wine Spectator	He	nry's Drive Reserve Shiraz
2005	90 Stephen Tanzer's Int'l Wine Cellar	2008	93 Wine Advocate
Parson's Flat Shiraz/Cabernet			93 Wine Enthusiast
2008	90 Wine Spectator		<b>90</b> Wine Spectator
	90 Wine Enthusiast	2007	<b>92</b> Wine Advocate
2006	<b>91</b> Wine Advocate		<b>92</b> Wine Enthusiast
2005	<b>92</b> Wine Spectator		<b>91</b> Wine Spectator
2004	93 Wine Advocate	2006	<b>91</b> Wine Spectator
2003	<b>94</b> <i>Wine Advocate</i>	2006	<b>92</b> Wine Spectator
2002	<b>91</b> <i>Wine Advocate</i>	2006	<b>92</b> Wine Advocate
Trial of John Montford Cabernet 2005		<b>93</b> Wine Advocate	
2007	90 Wine Spectator	2005	<b>90</b> Wine Spectator
2006	89 Wine Advocate		ry's Drive M Reserve Shiraz
		2009	91 Wine Spectator















Renae Hirsch, Winemaker

 $Dead\ Letter\ |\ Parson's\ Flat\ |\ Trial\ of\ John\ Montford\ |\ Henry's\ Drive\ |\ Henry's\ Drive\ Reserve\ |\ H\ Syrah$