WOODCUTTER'S SHIRAZ 2017



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BAROSSA VALLEY



VARIETY:	100% Shiraz
SUB-REGIONS:	Marananga, Greenock, Seppeltsfield, Gomersal, Moppa, Lyndoch, Ebenezer
HARVEST:	Late February through to early April 2017
MATURATION:	12 months in well-seasoned French oak hogsheads and foudre barrels
ANALYSIS:	Alc/Vol 15% pH 3.60 Acidity 5.84g/L
COLOUR:	Deep Garnet, hues of purple
AROMA:	Fresh blackberries, raspberries, cassis, dark cherry, spice and vanilla
PALATE:	Medium to full bodied, soft tannins and textural mouthfeel
CELLAR:	Drink now or cellar for up to 8 years

YOU'D IMAGINE A HIGH COUNTRY SCOTTISH WOODCUTTER MIGHT LIKE A FORTIFYING RED AT THE END OF THE DAY – SOMETHING RICH, WARMING, FULL BODIED... AND AFFORDABLE

This wine reflects the up and coming Shiraz vineyards of the Barossa, rather than the battle hardened old vines that make up the core of our other cuvées. But like all Torbreck wines, Woodcutter's - Shiraz receives the very best viticultural and winemaking treatment. Although this wine is constantly praised for its succulence and richness, there is also a complexity and texture which is rarely found at this price.

VINTAGE

After a cold and rainy winter in 2016, the Barossa had one of its wettest springs on record, replenishing sub-soil moisture and setting the vineyards up for a healthy summer. Mild conditions during veraison and light rains in January and February 2017 were followed by an extended warm, dry Indian summer, creating perfect ripening conditions through to April 2017. An outstanding vintage producing bright, aromatic whites and intense, well-structured reds.

TASTING

Full of freshness and bright youthful fruits, the 2017 vintage brings an elegance and class to the wines. Aromatic blackberries and raspberries with freshness and balance, the wine has a round central core of red fruit that gives way to a complex mid-palate full of cassis, dark cherry, spice and vanilla. While offering immense pleasure in its youth, the 2017 Woodcutter's - Shiraz will certainly develop into an impressive wine with a few more years in the cellar. A fantastic introduction to the Torbreck range.