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# TORBRECK

BAROSSA VALLEY





### 2020 DESCENDANT

2020 Torbreck Descendant is a masterful blend of Shiraz co-fermented with Viognier, both sourced entirely from our Descendant vineyard in Marananga in the Northern Barossa Valley. After fermentation, the wine was aged in second fill French oak barrels for 20 months,

Descendant is a rich and opulent wine that boasts a deep, ruby color and an inviting aroma of dark fruit, spice, and vanilla. On the palate, this wine is full-bodied, plush and velvety, with notes of blackberry, plum, and chocolate, as well as a hint of floral and herbal undertones.

2020 was marked by a series of hail storms in the Barossa, dramatically reducing grape yields in a number of vineyards, including the Descendant vineyard.

By hand harvesting and careful bunch selection, we were able to ensure the quality of the wine remained high, though the amount of bottles produced was far smaller than in previous Vintages.

The 2020 Torbreck Descendant is a wine that is best enjoyed with food, and it pairs well with a wide variety of dishes, including roasted meats, grilled vegetables, and hearty stews. Those who are patient enough to let it mature in the bottle will be rewarded with an even more complex and flavorful wine in the years to come.



To learn more about how we produce the Descendant, and other Torbreck wines, visit our YouTube channel at

www.youtube.com/@torbreckbarossa or scan the QR Code.

#### 2020 DESCENDANT

BAROSSA VALLEY SHIRAZ VIOGNIER

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Shiraz is crushed straight on top of Viognier, which has been lightly pressed for RunRig, and the blend of fruit is then co-fermented. Maturation over 20 months is in barrels that have previously been used for RunRig.

#### VINTAGE

Strong winds at flowering at the beginning of the growing season reduced berry and bunch count in many vineyards. The difficult seasonal conditions continued up to harvest - a dry winter and spring were followed by very hot and dry December and January. Older vineyards with deeper roots remained steadfast under these conditions and produced small volumes of deeply concentrated wines from the lower yields. While the yields have been small, the overall quality has created deeply coloured and textured wines that resonate their place of origin.

#### **TASTING**

Wonderfully lifted aromatics, perfumed fresh black and red fruits complemented by spice and florals wafting from the glass. Blackcurrants, mulberry, cassis, and satsuma plum intertwine with pot-pourri, dried apricots, cloves and star anise. The palate shows the integration of dark Barossa fruits and second use RunRig French oak barriques balanced by trademark viscosity. A firm mouthfeel of fine grained tannins balanced by dense yet creamy like texture extolling the vineyard pedigree. Pair with forest game, mushrooms or truffles. Serve at 16°C. Ready from 2024-2040. Store in a cool cellar or wine fridge.



VARIETY: 91% Shiraz, 9% Viognier Co-fermented.

VINEYARD: Descendant vineyard, planted

in 1994 with cuttings from the RunRig vineyards.

SUB REGIONS: Marananga.

HARVEST: 13th March 2020.

MATURATION: 20 months in second fill

French oak barriques, previously used for RunRig.

ANALYSIS: Alc/yol 15%

pH 3.61

Acidity 6.34 g/L

COLOUR: Dark blood red/garnet.

AROMA: Lifted floral, and perfumed

notes intermingle with aromas of red and black fruits such as plum, blackberry and mulberry.

PALATE: Charming mouthfeel and

harmonious balance strike you immediately. The flavours linger with soft yet firmer structure. Plush, voluptuous and alluring with pronounced length and cleansing acidity. Immediately enjoyable but

better with cellaring.

CELLAR: 5-15 years and serve at 16°C

## 2022 VIOGNIER EDEN VALLEY

The historic appellation of Condrieu may be no larger than a postage stamp, but various cuvées from André Perret, Georges Vernay and Marcel Guigal are some of the greatest white wines in the world

We have strived to make a wine with similar distinction and purity to those of this famous Appellation, and when exceptional vintages prevail we produce a Viognier that displays a distinctive varietal character.

#### VINTAGE

The 2022 vintage was characterised by above average winter rains making up for a dry autumn, leading to full canopies and healthy vines for the harvest. A severe hail storm across some parts of the Valley in late October resulted in lower average yields.

The summer was remarkably mild with very few days above 30 degrees. Slow ripening in the cooler conditions made for a gentle and drawn out vintage season, resulting in wines with higher natural acidity, rich colours and fine tannins. The wines from 2022 will reward those patient enough to cellar them away.

#### TASTING

Enticing aromas of exotic tropical and stone fruits such as lychee, passionfruit, and apricot intermingled with fresh herbs and spices like cinnamon, vanilla pod, ginger, lemongrass and Vietnamese mint.

A gentle spice emanating from partial oak maturation in new and seasoned French barrique that is seamlessly integrated, contributes to the complexity on this medium bodied but very long acid balanced white wine. Enjoy in its youth with South East Asian or Mexcian cuisines.



VARIETY: 100% Viognier.

SUB REGIONS: Eden Valley.

HARVEST: 20th March 2022.

MATURATION: 10 months new and seasoned

French barrique.

ANALYSIS: Alc/Vol 14%

pH 3.34 Acidity 5.53g/L.

COLOUR: Pale straw.

PALATE:

AROMA: Ginger, apricot, lychee and passionfruit with Asian spices.

Medium bodied with lifted

aromas and texture balanced

by cleansing acidity.

CELLAR: Now - 2025.

### 2018 WOODCUTTER'S SHIRAZ BAROSSA VALLEY

#### **MUSEUM RELEASE**

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 cuvee's. 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

An above average winter rainfall led into a below average spring and summer rainfall, producing small bunches and small berries, leading to a reduced yield. Quality was certainly high, particular amongst our red varieties of Shiraz, Grenache and Mataro. 2018 wines will be remembered for their impressive colour, structure and longevity.

#### TASTING

Full of freshness and bright youthful fruits, the 2018 vintage brings an opulence and class to the wines. Aromatic plum 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 2018 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.



VARIETY: 100% Shiraz.

SUB REGIONS: Marananga, Greenock,

Seppeltsfield, Gomersal, Moppa, Lyndoch, Ebenezer.

HARVEST: 6th March -18th April..

MATURATION: 12 months in well-seasoned

French oak hogsheads and Foudre

rouure.

ANALYSIS: Alc/Vol 15%

pH 3.60 Acidity 5.88q/L

COLOUR: Deep Garnet, hues of purple.

AROMA: Dark plum, 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 10 years.

#### 2021 THE STEADING

#### BAROSSA VALLEY GRENACHE SHIRAZ MATARO

On a highland farm in Scotland the collection of barns, stables and outbuildings is known as a Steading. Here in the Barossa Valley the varieties Grenache, Mataro and Shiraz all stand in their own right, however in blending, their strengths create a complex wine of solid, earthy structure. It is sourced from Grenache, Mataro and Shiraz vines that survived the worldwide phylloxera outbreak of the 1880s, and a century later, the vine-pull scheme in the Barossa in the 1980s.

The protection of this old vine resource of the Barossa Valley is central to the Torbreck story and this wine, more than any other, is an indication of what is possible from these historic cultivars.

#### VINTAGE

The 2021 summer growing season was mild, with even and cool daily temperatures throughout. Enhanced by good rains provided during the winter and spring of 2020, our vineyards grew wonderful canopies and developed well-formed grape bunches. As a result of this long flavour development cycle in the vineyard, 2021's signature is wines of high aromatic lift with densely coloured tints and exceptional balance.

#### **TASTING**

Lifted aromas of red currant, pomegranate, red cherry and red plum. The secondary aromas of spice and earthy, such as clove, star anise, bay leaf and wild thyme add complexity.

The palate is medium to full-bodied with a dense core of plush red-berried fruits whilst leaning towards the savoury side. Firm tannins envelope the mouth and provide depth and a plushness with an elongated finish. The 2021 Steading is indicative of the harvest from low yielding old bush vines that produced high quality wines.

Pair with game meats poultry or Chinese roast pork. Enjoy at its best from 5-15 years. Serve at  $16^{\circ}$ C



VARIETY: 51% Grenache, 28% Shiraz

21% Mataro

VINEYARDS: Multiple vineyards ranging from

40 to 150 year old vines.

SUB REGIONS: Gomersal, Lyndoch, Greenock,

Moppa, Marananga, Seppeltsfield, Ebenezer

HARVEST: 15th March – 18th April 2021

MATURATION: 20 months maturation on

fine yeast lees.in large 4500L French oak foudre vats. Natural malolactic conversion occurred

during time in barrel

ANALYSIS: Alc/Vol 15%, pH 3.59

Acidity 5.43 g/L

COLOUR: Deep crimson with a garnet rim.

AROMA: Red fruits dominate the

aromas such as cranberry, pomegranate, and red cherry with spice and earthy, savoury notes coming from Grenache and Mataro planted on mineral

laden soils.

PALATE: Medium to full bodied with

complexity and length across the palate. The firm tannins and driving acidity intertwine nicely against the lashings of red fruits and savoury complexity.

CELLAR: Up to 15 years.

## **2021 THE SPORRAN**BAROSSA VALLEY SHIRAZ

## **2021 THE KYLOE**BAROSSA VALLEY MATARO

The Sporran is a bold expression of barossa shiraz, rich and highly concentrated, with a supple and silky tannin profile; a wine that will age gracefully well into the future.

In days past, the Highland Celts of Scotland would keep a host of personal items – knives, flints, wicks etc – in their sporrans: the small leather pouch that hangs around the waist on the outside of the kilt.

Today, in the frosty winter mornings of the Barossa when pruning and vineyard maintenance is the order of the day, we have often remarked how useful a sporran would be to house a pair of secateurs, or just to ensure that hands and fingers remain warm and nimble!

#### **TASTING**

Dark red in colour. This wine has a complex nose of dark fruits, blueberry, herbs, spice and pepper. The palate is diverse and fine with dark plum & black fruits all to the fore in this rich & succulent wine that will age well into the future.



All Torbreck wines rely on great terroir and great viticulture, but the third and equally significant quality factor is the time when the fruit leaves the vineyard – the picking date.

This is particularly true for Mataro, where patience is required to ensure physiological and flavour ripeness is achieved, regardless of the sugar levels in the fruit.

This restraint is rewarded with dense, wild and completely rounded wines made from fruit that has reached the optimum stage of flavour development. The climate in the Barossa Valley is perfectly suited to achieving this level of ripeness and is a place where we truly believe some of the best Mataro wines in the world can be made.

#### **TASTING**

Lifted aromas of wild black berries, lavender, black olive, and charcuterie are further lifted with a complex array of leather, clove and wild game. At the heart of this wine is a soft plump cherry fruit core with a freshness and vivacity aiving the wine focus. and purity. Tannins are grippy and long that give precision and length to the aftertaste. A wine for enjoyment with game meats, lamb or vegetarian egaplant based dishes like Greek moussaka or Provencale ratatouille 2023-2030. Serve at 16°C





Cellar Door open 7 days, 10am – 5pm

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