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# 98+

## 2010 THE LAIRD

RATING: 98+  
FROM: Barossa Valley, South Australia  
VARIETY: Shiraz

Very deep purple-black coloured, Torbreck's 2010 The Laird offers an extraordinary perfume of Chinese five spice, sandalwood, rose petals, espresso and licorice over a core of prunes, dried mulberries and blackcurrant preserves plus a touch of cloves. Full-bodied, rich, concentrated and packed with dried black fruits and exotic spice flavours, the generous fruit is structured with velvety tannins and just enough freshness. It finishes with commendable persistence.



# 97+

## 2012 RUNRIG

RATING: 97+  
FROM: Barossa Valley, South Australia  
VARIETY: Shiraz

Deep garnet-purple coloured, the 2012 RunRig offers a nose of baked cherries and raspberry preserves with suggestions of violets, cinnamon toast, aniseed and vanilla. Full-bodied with characteristic elegance and poise in spite almost of its power, it has a solid backbone of very finely grained tannins and refreshing acidity, finishing with great length.



# 98



## 2012 LES AMIS

RATING: 98  
FROM: Barossa Valley, South Australia  
VARIETY: Grenache

Medium garnet in colour with a hint of purple, the 2012 Les Amis (100% Grenache) seduces on the nose with a perfume of kirsch, raspberry coulis, lavender and rose petals plus suggestions of tangerine skins, cloves and Szechuan pepper. The full-bodied, Rubesque palate does not fail to deliver this wine's signature opulence with tons of red berry preserves and exotic spice flavours supported by very fine tannins, balanced freshness and a long finish. Love it.

## 2012 DESCENDANT

RATING: 97+  
FROM: Barossa Valley, South Australia  
VARIETY: Shiraz, Viognier

Deep garnet-purple coloured, the 2012 Descendant offers gorgeously pure notes of violets, vanilla and cinnamon stick over a core of black cherry, blackberry and wild blueberry notes plus and hint of cloves. Full-bodied, concentrated and built like a brick house, the spectrum of flavours, ripe, abundant tannins, clever balance and epically long finish make this a Descendant that rivals its forefather.

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LOVE IT.

2012 LES AMIS  
LISA PERROTTI-BROWN

# 95

## 2012 THE FACTOR

RATING: 95  
FROM: Barossa Valley, South Australia  
VARIETY: Shiraz

Medium garnet coloured, the 2012 The Factor has a nose of baked cherries, blackberry preserves and prunes with spice box and incense nuances. The palate is dense and rich with dried berries and fruit compote flavours accented with baking spices and framed by grainy tannins, finishing long and surprisingly gentle.

## 2012 THE STEADING

RATING: 93+  
FROM: Barossa Valley, South Australia  
VARIETY: Grenache, Shiraz, Mataro

Medium garnet in colour with a purple rim, the 2012 The Steading (a blend of Shiraz, Grenache and Mataro) has a beautifully open nose of kirsch, mulberries and black raspberries with white pepper, dusty earth and Chinese five spice suggestions. Full-bodied and yet wonderfully poised in the mouth, the silky tannins and refreshing acid support the generous flesh throughout the long, spicy finish.

## 2012 THE GASK

RATING: 92+  
FROM: Eden Valley, South Australia  
VARIETY: Shiraz

Torbreck's Eden Valley-sourced Shiraz, the 2012 The Gask has a beautifully perfumed nose of violets, eucalypt and lavender accenting the ripe black cherries and mulberries core with a waft of allspice. Full-bodied, rich, concentrated and yet wonderfully balanced, it has nice ripe tannins and great freshness at the foundation, finishing with great length.

## 2013 JUVENILES

RATING: 89  
FROM: Barossa Valley, South Australia  
VARIETY: Grenache, Shiraz, Mataro

Medium garnet coloured, the 2013 Juveniles is scented of cherry preserves, red currant jelly and Szechuan pepper with a Chinese five spice undercurrent. Full-bodied and powerful in the mouth, the opulent kirsch and spice flavours are supported by chewy tannins and lively acid, finishing long.



# 92+

# 93+

## 2013 WOODCUTTER'S SHIRAZ

RATING: 89  
FROM: Barossa Valley, South Australia  
VARIETY: Shiraz

Torbreck's entry-level red, the 2013 Woodcutter's Shiraz, has a deep garnet-purple colour and expressive blackberry pie, blueberry coulis and plum preserves nose with anise and baking spice suggestions. Full-bodied with a slightly raisiny characters on the palate, the generous fruit is held up by chunky tannins and a good amount of freshness then finishes long.

## 2013 VIOGNIER

RATING: 90  
FROM: Barossa Valley, South Australia  
VARIETY: Viognier

Laden with peach, spiced apple and warm pear scents with touches of cedar and allspice, the 2013 Viognier offers mouth-filling stone fruit and spiced apple flavours with lovely satiny texture, great vivacity and a long, lively finish.

## 2012 HIGHLAND FLING

RATING: 91  
FROM: Barossa Valley, South Australia  
VARIETY: Shiraz

Very deep garnet-purple coloured, the 2012 Highland Fling - a full-on fortified Shiraz - offers a nose of black cherries coulis, blueberry pie filling, prunes, sultana cake and dried flowers. Full-bodied, fully sweet, rich and unctuous, it has one of those long finishes that packs a punch but keeps you coming back for more.

## 2013 THE BOTHIE

RATING: 88  
FROM: Barossa Valley, South Australia  
VARIETY: Muscat à Petits Grains

The 2013 The Bothie leaps from the glass with notes of grape juice, melons, lychees and rose water plus a waft of allspice. Wonderfully sweet, purely fruited and decadent on the palate, the racy acidity lends just enough lift to the long, spicy finish.

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