

# THE STRUIE 2016



T O R B R E C K

BAROSSA VALLEY



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SOURCED FROM ELEVATED SITES  
THROUGHOUT THE BAROSSA AND EDEN  
VALLEYS, THE STRUIE REFLECTS THE  
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ARE GAINED FROM HILLSIDE VITICULTURE

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The name Struie originates from a mountain in the rugged highlands of north-east Scotland, which overlooks Torbreck forest near Inverness. The view from the Struie down across the Dornoch Firth is as inspiring as that of the Valley floor from the Barossa Ranges.

While the Eden Valley region is most associated with the white wine variety, Riesling, it also produces elegant, tautly structured Shiraz which is highly prized by winemakers. This Torbreck Shiraz cuvée is a skilful blend of fruit from a single vineyard Eden Valley Shiraz and old vine Shiraz from the Barossa Valley's Western Ranges – a marriage of elegance and intensity.

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<b>VARIETY:</b>	100% Shiraz
<b>VINEYARDS:</b>	Barossa Valley and Eden Valley, average age of vines, 50 years
<b>SUB-REGIONS:</b>	86% Barossa Valley 14% Eden Valley
<b>HARVEST:</b>	18 February to 24 March 2016
<b>MATURATION:</b>	20 months in new (12%) and seasoned French oak
<b>ANALYSIS:</b>	Alc/Vol 15% pH 3.45 Acidity 6.12g/L
<b>COLOUR:</b>	Deep purple and Garnet hues
<b>AROMA:</b>	Dark chocolate, plum, blackberries, violets and soft spice characters
<b>PALATE:</b>	Medium to full bodied with plush, silky tannins and persistent mouthfeel and depth
<b>CELLAR:</b>	10 to 15 years

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## VINTAGE

The 2016 wines benefitted from a dryer spring and start to summer, producing small bunches and bunch numbers with tiny concentrated berries. The fruit has wonderful depth of colour and perfect balance. The Eden Valley component brings a purity and freshness which balances the rich Barossa Valley fruit perfectly.

## TASTING

One of the deepest and concentrated aromatic Struie wines we've produced, the harmonious combination of both regions has again delivered a wine with layers of dark chocolate characters and defining structure. Nuances of plum, blackberries, violets and hidden spice characters all further enhance the natural elegance and tension of the fruit quality. The Struie will certainly age tremendously well over the next decade.