

# THE GASK 2023



# T O R B R E C K

BAROSSA VALLEY



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THE GASK IS SOURCED FROM  
ELEVATED EDEN VALLEY SITES OF OLD  
VINE SHIRAZ AND TAKES ITS NAME  
FROM THE GASK RIDGE, A SERIES OF  
ROMAN FORTIFICATIONS CLOSE TO  
THE HIGHLAND LINE NEAR THE  
TORBRECK FOREST

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The elevated sites in Eden Valley yield small, intense berries that possess great intensity of flavour without sacrificing balance and poise. Heroic in style, it still retains the cooler edge and tighter structure that make the great wines from Eden Valley famous.

The name Gask references to the stone burial grounds on the hills above the Torbreck forest - rocky outcrops that are scattered throughout Scotland - eerily similar to the landscape of the Eden Valley.

## VINTAGE

The 2023 growing season brought above-average rainfall in winter and spring and a cooler summer. The majority of the harvest took place in the colder months, and most vineyards were not harvested until April, approximately one month later than usual. Cooler seasons can pose several challenges, but through our dedicated commitment to viticulture practices, such as hand pruning and harvesting with careful soil management, the vintage resulted in low-yielding and resilient fruit.

The vintage has resulted in very strong wines from the Eden and Barossa Valleys, with bright colours and freshness from higher natural acidities, auguring them towards greater longevity and detail across the palate.

## TASTING

Deep crimson with dark Aubergine core. Blue and purple fruits are immediate on the nose with aromas such as wild blueberries, mulberries and boysenberries. There's an intriguing graphite and granite like minerality interwoven across secondary notes such as potpourri, cedar and sandalwood. The palate is plush and envelopes the cool blue fruit flavours alongside soft round tannins and lengthy acidity that rounds out the polished textural mouthfeel. A wine that is so easy to enjoy in its youth but will cellar for 10 years. Enjoy with BBQ meats like rib eye or grilled Italian sausage with peperonata. Ready from 2025. Serve at 16C/60F.

VARIETY:	100% Shiraz
VINEYARD:	Blend of superior Eden Valley vineyards
SUB-REGION:	Eden Valley
HARVEST:	26 <sup>th</sup> April -5th May 2023
MATURATION:	18 months in second fill French oak barriques, completing a slow malolactic fermentation in barrel
ANALYSIS:	Alc/Vol 15.5% pH 3.58 Acidity 5.64 g/L
COLOUR:	Deep crimson
AROMA:	Blue and red fruits are immediate such as wild blueberry, boysenberry and mulberry balance by mineral strewn notes of graphite, sandalwood and potpourri.
PALATE:	Firm, taught, medium bodied with a long finish balanced by tannins, acid and plush mid palate.
CELLAR:	10 to 12 years