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Torbreck Cuvée Juveniles is a vibrant and expressive wine inspired by the classic Côtes du Rhône bistro wines. It combines the traditional Barossa varieties with Rhone varietals, offering a unique blend that delights both Francophiles and Barossa fans.

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Alcohol :15,00 %

Composition: 45% Grenache, 36% Mataro, 17% Carignan, 2% Counoise

Cuvee Juveniles 2022

Barossa Valley, Australia

Region and Vineyards

This wine hails from the Barossa Valley, an esteemed wine region in South Australia known for its warm climate and diverse soil types, ideal for cultivating robust and flavorful grapes. The grapes for Cuvée Juveniles are sourced from multiple vineyards across Lyndoch, Gomersal, Seppeltsfield, Marananga, and Greenock. These vineyards include some vines that are up to 150 years old, contributing to the wine's complexity and depth.

Winemaking

Cuvée Juveniles is a blend of **45% Grenache, 36% Mataro (Mourvèdre), 17% Carignan, and 2% Counoise**. This vintage was marked by above-average winter rains, which replenished the soils after a dry autumn, leading to healthy vines and full canopies. A mild summer with slow ripening conditions resulted in wines with high natural acidity, rich colors, and fine tannins.

The wine was matured in a combination of stainless steel and large format French oak foudre, preserving the fresh fruit characteristics while adding subtle oak influences. The final wine has an alcohol content of 15%, with a pH of 3.57 and an acidity of 5.40g/L .

Tasting Notes

- **Color**: Crimson and bright cherry hues.
- **Aroma**: Red cherry, pomegranate, floral and spicy notes balanced with Chinese five spice and meaty nuances.
- **Palate**: Medium-bodied with a lithe and plush mouthfeel. The palate is characterized by juicy red fruit flavors, such as wild cherry, pomegranate, and red currant, complemented by savory notes from the Counoise and Carignan. The wine has a long acidity and slightly firmer tannin structure than previous vintages, making it both approachable and suitable for aging.

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Did you know?

Cuvée Juveniles was created as a tribute to the Côtes du Rhône wines and designed to be a versatile, food-friendly wine that captures the essence of both Rhone and Barossa varietals.

Wine Pairing Ideas

Cuvée Juveniles pairs wonderfully with a variety of cuisines. Its medium body and complex flavors complement spicy Asian or Mexican dishes.

Try serving it slightly chilled, at or below 14 degrees Celsius, to enhance its freshness and acidity.

This wine can be enjoyed upon release but will also reward those who choose to cellar it for up to seven years.

92

Robert Parker (RP) : 92 Points (2022)

The 2022 Cuvee Juveniles is lipstick pink and lusty and fresh, with savory spice and black cherry in profusion. There is kirsch and peppercorns, salted licorice and Satsuma plum and raspberry pip. I tasted this wine almost a year ago, and it has settled and evolved beautifully in that time. In its way, it has clarity and freshness and lovely, grippy tannins. I like it. 15% alcohol, sealed under screw cap.

92 Wine Spectator

Wine Spectator (WS) : 92 Points (2021)

This red features a core of fresh crushed raspberry and maraschino cherry flavors that are generous and fleshy, with a thread of juicy acidity and details of green tea and nutmeg. The tannins are so supple and polished they're practically creamy, further adding to this wine's elegance. Grenache, Mataro, Carignan, Counoise and Shiraz.

91 WineEnthusiast

Wine Enthusiast (WE) : 91 Points (2020)

*Aromas of mint, olive brine, plum and raspberry open after some brief aeration. The palate is medium bodied, by Barossa standards, and demonstrates restraint. There's a briny, spiced tannin profile and sandpaper texture neatly pinning the juicy, plum fruit. Lower alcohol and more vibrancy would be nice for a "juveniles" style, but it's a tasty tipple nonetheless. *