

Torbreck

Torbreck The Struie is an expressive and complex Shiraz, blending fruit from the Barossa Valley and Eden Valley. It showcases the harmonious interplay between these two prestigious regions, delivering a wine of both elegance and intensity.

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The Struie 2023

Barossa Valley, Australia

Region and Vineyards

Torbreck The Struie sources its grapes from two distinct regions: **the Barossa Valley and the Eden Valley**.

The Barossa Valley, located in South Australia, is renowned for its **rich, full-bodied Shiraz wines**. The region's warm climate and diverse soil types, including clay, sandy loam, and red-brown earth, contribute to the bold flavors and dense textures typical of Barossa Valley Shiraz.

In contrast, **the Eden Valley, also in South Australia**, is known for its **cooler climate** due to its higher altitude, which ranges from 380 to 600 meters above sea level. This cooler climate, coupled with well-drained granite and sandy loam soils, produces Shiraz that is more aromatic and structured, with a characteristic elegance and minerality. The vineyards for The Struie have an average vine age of 50 years, ensuring concentrated and complex fruit .

Winemaking

Torbreck The Struie is made from **100% Shiraz grape**s, with 57% sourced from the Barossa Valley and 43% from the Eden Valley. This vintage experienced a mild growing season with cool, even temperatures and beneficial winter and spring rains, promoting a long flavor development cycle.

The wine underwent **18 months of aging in French oak**, with 20% new oak used to add subtle complexity without overpowering the fruit. The wine has an alcohol content of 15%, a pH of 3.60, and an acidity of 5.84 g/L .

Alcohol :15,00 %

Composition: 100% Syrah

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Tasting Notes

- **Color**: Deep crimson hue with an almost black core.
- **Aroma**: Lifted aromatics of blackberry, blueberry, milk chocolate, mineral, and graphite.
- **Palate**: Plush, dense, and textural with a long finish. The tannins are soft yet concentrated, supporting the powerful structure and fruit weight. Notes of black and blue fruits such as blackberry and blueberry compote, milk chocolate, with graphite and mineral complexity. The oak is barely noticeable and will integrate further with time .

Did you know?

The name "Struie" originates from a mountain in the rugged highlands of northeast Scotland, which overlooks Torbreck forest near Inverness. The view from Struie down across the Dornoch Firth is said to be as inspiring as the view of the Barossa Valley from the Barossa Ranges .

Wine Pairing Ideas

Torbreck The Struie pairs exceptionally well with rich, savory dishes:

- Steak Frites: The wine's robust structure and dark fruit flavors complement the savory and juicy steak, while its tannins cut through the richness of the fries.
- Texas BBQ Ribs: The wine's plush fruit and subtle oak harmonize with the smoky, spicy, and sweet flavors of BBQ ribs.
- Char Siu Pork: The soft tannins and complex fruit profile of The Struie balance the sweet and savory elements of Char Siu pork, enhancing the overall dining experience .

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Robert Parker (RP) : 95 Points (2023)

The 2023 The Struie is a blend from Eden and Barossa, melding the higher altitude austerity and structure of Eden with the density and muscle of the Barossa. I like this wine, because if you sit with it for long enough, you can clearly see the component parts side by side. The whole makes the understanding of the parts. You get the blueberry, black cherry, licorice, crushed quartz, aniseed and dark chocolate of Eden married to the bloody, earthy, gritty muscle of Barossa. Awesome. 15% alcohol, sealed under natural cork and wax.

95 WINEENTHUSIAST

Wine Enthusiast (WE) : 95 Points (2022)

This velvety, supple Shiraz from both Barossa and Eden Valleys oozes plum and blackberry jam appeal, with a lick of baking spice behind. It's as luxurious in texture as it is in aroma and flavor, the ripe tannins seamlessly tucked behind all the plush fruit, and a little alcohol heat creeping in and landing on the finish. The comparatively cool 2022 vintage makes for highly ageworthy wines, and Struie is no exception.

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Wine Spectator (WS) : 94 Points (2022)

Dense and powerful, featuring a concentrated mix of blackberry, huckleberry and blueberry syrup flavors on a velvety frame, with details of Pu'er tea, dark chocolate, singed palo santo, candied walnut, black pepper and toffee that linger. Despite all the concentration, there's a lovely sense of elegance, with an open-knit frame and a long, lingering finish. Shiraz.