

RUNRIG
2015



T O R B R E C K

BAROSSA VALLEY



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THE RUNRIG HAS OFTEN DRAWN COMPARISON WITH THE BEAUTIFULLY FRAGRANT AND TAUTLY STRUCTURED WINES PRODUCED FROM THE STEEP SLOPES OF THE NORTHERN RHÔNE VALLEY'S APPELLATION OF CÔTE RÔTIE

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The Highland clans used a 'RunRig' system to distribute land amongst their clansmen in a series of widely dispersed holdings. The emphasis was not on any one farm but rather the communal element of the whole. Shiraz from old dry grown vineyards is blended with Viognier, complementing the strengths and complexities of these individual parcels of fruit, whilst giving the resulting wine a further dimension.

VARIETY:	98% Shiraz, 2% Viognier
VINEYARDS:	6 Vineyards, assemblage
SUB-REGIONS:	Lyndoch, Rowland Flat, Greenock, Moppa, Ebenezer
HARVEST:	19 February through to 20 March 2015
MATURATION:	30 months on new (50%), second fill and third fill French oak barriques, completing a natural malolactic fermentation in barrel and resting on fine lees throughout maturation to enhance texture
ANALYSIS:	Alc/Vol 15% pH 3.64 Acidity 6.35g/L
COLOUR:	Crimson and deep purple hues
AROMA:	Cherry plum, dark chocolate, mulberry and five-spice with savoury tones
PALATE:	Full bodied, firm tannins that interplay with a generous, silky, textural midpalate weight. The finish is firm and persistent
CELLAR:	15 to 20 years

VINTAGE

Above average rains in 2014 filled the soil profile, which was followed by a helpful deluge of rain for dry grown vineyards in January 2015. Generally dry for the remainder of vintage, warm days and cool nights created the perfect ripening conditions.

TASTING

Intense, lifted aromatics of dense cherry plum and dark chocolate all come to the fore with an opulent fruit profile of mulberry and five-spice. A silky textured palate of deep red cherry fruits, clove and liquorice all interwoven with hints of sweet spice and cinnamon. The layers and diverse fruit characters continue to evolve in the glass with hints of ironstone, anise, blackberry, and pepper all becoming more persistent in the finish. This silky, fragrant RunRig will certainly reward those with patience.