



## 2017 LE DEVOIR

**Varietals:** 76% Syrah / 24% Graciano  
**Vineyards:** Bowker (Syrah), Denner (Syrah), Zimmerman (Graciano)  
**Fermentation:** Native Yeast, 100% de-stemmed  
**Barrel:** 22 months 300L French Oak 60% New  
**Appellation:** Willow Creek District  
**Alcohol %:** 16.1  
**Production:** 264 Cases

### Winemaking

For the spring 2017 Torrin release we are excited to introduce, “Le Devoir”. Our own mission statement reminds us that we are a winery dedicated to producing beautiful wines from the ground up. Meaning “the duty” in French, Le Devoir is a blend of varietals that complement one another so naturally and effortlessly we are virtually obligated to bottle this wine. The core of the wine is unmistakably Syrah with intense fruit, a savory mid palate and an impressive textual density. The Graciano complements the blue and black fruit profile and brings incredible length and freshness to the finish of the wine. Together they achieve a remarkable balance of power and finesse. The wines were fermented utilizing native yeast then aged in 300L French Oak barrels for 22 months prior to blending and bottling unfinned and unfiltered. Once again 2017 has given us wines that are fantastic early. Don’t hesitate to decant and enjoy Le Devoir over the next couple of years, or like all Torrin wines, age with confidence over the next decade.

### Accolades

Another new wine, the 2017 Le Devoir is built around Syrah and Graciano and is a blend of 76% Syrah and 24% Graciano that was all destemmed and will see 22 months in 60% new French oak. It's a smoking wine with a beautiful sense of minerality and salinity as well as pure cassis and black raspberry fruit, crushed flowers, and ground pepper. It's incredibly polished, elegant, and full-bodied and has awesome length. - **Jeb Dunnuck 95-97 points**

*The 2016 vintage for Paso Robles was a beauty and Torrin’s Scott Hawley has certainly made the most of it. The 2016s are some of the finest wines in the vintage and you can’t go wrong with any of them. The 2017s also showed beautifully, and while I think they’re a small step back over the 2016s, they’re unquestionably brilliant wines in the making. The Hawleys also recently completed construction on a new winery off Peachy Canyon road, with their 2017s being the first vintage made at the new facility. In addition to the Torrin releases, the Hawleys also release a great lineup of Chardonnay and Pinot Noirs under their Lagom label, which I’ve also included here.*

**Release Date** – Spring 2020

**Drinking Window** – Now – 2033