

2019 JIM BARRY ASSYRTIKO

"I first tasted Assyrtiko in August 2006 while on holiday with my wife Sue on the Greek island of Santorini, birthplace of the Assyrtiko grape variety. The crisp, acidic qualities reminded me of our Clare Valley Rieslings and yet it was a flavour I had not experienced before.

Intrigued with this newfound variety, I began the process of importing cuttings into Australia through quarantine. In August 2012 we planted Australia's first Assyrtiko at our Lodge Hill Vineyard, a special and unique site treasured by my family and suited to this variety.

Our Assyrtiko journey has been fascinating and has enabled us to produce a wine which, I believe, is a true expression of the variety. I hope you find the flavours as interesting as I did in 2006."

Peter Barry, Second Generation Family Winemaker.

Wine has been flowing in the Clare Valley since 1851 and is an integral part of the culture. It is one of Australia's most prestigious premium wine regions, most famous for its Riesling and Shiraz. A small area, accounting for less than 1.5% of Australia's total wine production.

With its beautiful, rolling hills, ideal winter rainfall and Mediteranean climate, the Clare Valley carries a unique history and winemaking heritage.

Winemaking Notes

Clear, palest straw colour in the glass.

The wine opens with citrus rind, lemon blossom and a lick of wet slate on the nose.

This wine has a sense of purpose in its line. Clean mineral, white floral and nice texture through the mid and back with the classic saline edge to finish.

Screaming summer drinking, the finish is clean and refreshingly long.

Vintage Information

Variety:		100% Assyrtiko
Vintage:		2019
Region:	CI	are Valley, South Australia
Estate grown:		100%
First release	::	Vintage 2014
Analysis:	Alc/vol 12.0%	; Total Acid 7.2g/L; pH 2.8
Drink by:		2025
Ideal serving temperature:		8°C
Winemaker:		Peter Barrv

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