

JIM BARRY

CLARE VALLEY

PROUD FAMILY WINEMAKERS SINCE 1959



"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, Third 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 Mediterranean climate, the Clare Valley carries a unique history and winemaking heritage.

2018 ASSYRTIKO RIESLING

Winemaking Notes

Clear, palest straw colour in the glass.

The wine opens with citrus blossom and Meyer Lemon aromas combined with honeydew melon and baking spice.

A textural and well weighted wine with great concentration. Lemon and melon flavours with a hint of flint and a saline edge. A great line of crisp acidity, finishing with a fine talc like finish.

Super refreshing, a great match for fresh Australian Seafood.

Vintage Information

Variety:	100% Assyrtiko
Vintage:	2018
Region:	Clare Valley, South Australia
Soil Profile:	Brown loam overlaying a layer of clay and slate bedrock
Estate grown:	100%
First release:	Vintage 2014
Analysis:	Alc/vol 12.5% Total Acid 6.9g/L pH 2.8
Drink by:	2024
Serve at:	18°C
Winemakers:	Peter Barry

Awards

The Real Review - Huon Hooke	93 Points
Sydney Royal Wine Show	95 Point
James Halliday Australian Wine Companion	94 Points
Anthony Gismondi	92 Points
Robert Parker - Joe Czerwinski	91 Points
The Wine Front - Gary Walsh	91 Points

