

JIM BARRY

CLARE VALLEY

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

2023 ASSYRTIKO

Winemaking Notes

The 2023 Assyrtiko is fresh and electric, with dried lemon flesh, lime juice, bay leaf, and fresh pink grapefruit juice aromas.

The palate shows powerful fruit weight with generous fruit flavours, and a clean acid line. A very long drive with slight salinity on the finish. This could be the best Assyrtiko we've produced yet.

Vintage Information

Variety:	100% Assyrtiko
Vintage:	2023
Region:	Clare Valley, South Australia
Estate grown:	100%
First release:	Vintage 2015
Analysis:	Alc/vol 12.0% Total Acid 8.0g/L pH 2.8
Oak Regime:	10% French (Neutral) Oak
Drink by:	2029
Serve at:	8°C
Winemakers:	Peter Barry

