

The story of the wine ...

2016 Lethbridge Fiano

The Story of the Wine: From grape varieties with unpronounceable names to low intervention and preservative free wines, to labels inspired by LP record covers, the Australian wine industry is in flux and all this in a bid to capture the imaginations of consumers not only at home but overseas.

Varieties such as Fiano, Aglianico, Negroamaro, Nero d Avola, Greco, and even the esoteric Greek variety Assyrtiko are now in the winemaker's armoury as they plan to combat issues such as climate change and the growing inquisitive wine public.

While there are plenty of exciting wine varieties to play with, and we certainly have at Lethbridge, in 2016 we tried Fiano. This ancient grapevine (mentioned by Pliny) is described by Jancis Robinson as "rich, waxy, strongly flavoured, fashionable, age worthy."

Tasting Notes: Our first Fiano displays ripe nectarine on the nose and aromatics of white flowers and cooking spice. The palate is wonderfully textured with a silky mouthfeel and a vibrant crisp apple finish.

Review: "It crackles with personality. Ash, spice, rocks, minerals, stone fruits, honeysuckle and wax; you name it, it's lending a hand here. It's full-bodied and punchy." 91 points, Campbell Mattinson, The Wine Front

Vintage:	2016
Other vintages:	
Grape variety:	Fiano
Bottled:	December 2016
Alcohol:	14.0%
Cellar potential:	2-3 Years
Cellar door prices:	\$32

