



LETHBRIDGE

The story of the wine...



2015 Lethbridge Nebbiolo

'il regalo di compleanni'

The Birthday Present

The Story: What does one buy for a husband of almost twenty years who, dare I say it, buys for himself whatever he wants!

Late in vintage 2013 the phone rang, it was Robert John from the Malakoff Vineyard who had heard about our penchant for unusual varieties enquiring as to whether we wanted any Viognier. We had made a pact 'no small batches' and so after declining the offer I was somehow possessed to ask whether he had any Nebbiolo. It was Rays birthday in May and what better present. A great Nebbiolo rivals Pinot Noir in its elusiveness and Ray loves nothing more than a challenge. Two tonnes of Nebbiolo arrived, difficult to wrap, but has given Ray many hours of fun, an excuse to spend a fortune on Barolo and will provide much pleasure for years to come.

It worked again in 2014 and when you are onto a good idea...

Maree

Tasting Note: The third vintage of Lethbridge Nebbiolo, this is an evolution of style. The skin contact has been pulled back to 30 days (compared to 100 days in 2014) The result is a wine of finesse with powerful tannins, more floral fruit and a length that just keeps going.

Vintage:	2015
Other vintages:	2013-2014
Grape variety:	Nebbiolo
Vineyards:	Malakoff Vineyard, Pyrenees
Bottled:	September 2016
Alcohol:	14.0%
Cellar potential:	7+ years
Cellar door prices:	\$50