



LETHBRIDGE

The story of the wine...

2019 Lethbridge Nebbiolo

'il regalo di compleanno' - The Birthday Present



The Story: What does one buy for a husband of almost twenty years who 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 Ray's 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, 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 has continued to work ever since. And as our experience grows, the vines age, and the solera of 'other vintages' continues to be built upon we are seeing a stunning legacy emerging...

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The Wine: The seventh release of our Nebbiolo sourced from the wonderful vineyard in the Pyrenees. The style has continued to develop year on year towards greater complexity and elegance. Open top fermented with a "modest" 33 days on skins post ferment. The wine is savoury with autumnal flavours, dried herbs, white mushroom, dried rose petals and deliciously firm tannins. Save it for a few years or drink with some Osso Bucco.

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| Vintage: | 2019 |
| Other vintages: | 2013-2018 |
| Grape variety: | Nebbiolo |
| Vineyards: | Malakoff Vineyard, Pyrenees |
| Bottled: | May 2020 |
| Alcohol: | 14.0% |
| Cellar potential: | 10+ years |
| Cellar door prices: | \$58 |