



The story of the wine ...

2022 Lethbridge Shiraz

Story: Are Shiraz and Syrah the same?

The short answer is Yes, "Shiraz" is synonym of "Syrah" and both refer to grape which hails from Eastern France. Shiraz is the name choice by and large for most Australian winemakers. The name has become synonymous with rich, fruit-forward higher alcohol wines, while "Syrah" is traditionally French or wines that aspire towards a more nuanced approach.

Our wine is on the lighter side of medium-bodied but by no means wimpy. Spice box aromas meld delicately with berry and dark cherry flavours, and finishes with driving acidity. Sounds like a "Syrah" however, as a proud Australian, it will always be Shiraz for me. Australia is a big country with a vast contrast in climates and populated by maverick winemakers. The array of Australia Shiraz styles represents this notion for me.

The Wine: "This is exceptionally dry and bunchy and for those reasons and for the fruit flavours themselves I love it. Talk about savouriness writ large. Mescal, peanut shells, woodsmoke, peppers and sweet black cherry characters put on quite a show. There's an explosive cordite character to the nose and plenty of other reductive/savoury/herbal inputs besides. You have to love the full-on-savoury style but in that context, this is excellent." Campbell Mattinson, The Wine Front, 94 points

Vintage:	2022
Grape variety:	Shiraz
Vineyards:	Lethbridge
Bottled:	February 2023
Bottles made:	1733
Alcohol:	13.5%
Cellar potential:	7 + Years
Cellar door prices:	\$58