

TASTING NOTE

2021 GREAT WESTERN BIN NO. 1 SHIRAZ

Best's Great Western as a Shiraz 'house' has extensive experience with the variety through the legacy of their long winemaking history dating back to the 1860's. Bin 1 Shiraz is an introduction the regional style of Great Western Shiraz.

Made predominantly from Best's own vineyards, Bin 1 Shiraz represents the essence of Best's winemaking ideals and the uniqueness of the Great Western region.

Bin 1 is a classic, cool climate, aromatic Shiraz, made in a style that is perfumed, spicy and peppery, yet well balanced. It's a great match with food - particularly dishes like spring lamb.



Region: Great Western, Victoria

Grape Variety: Shiraz **Alcohol:** 14%

Winemaker: Justin Purser & Jacob Parton

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Colour: Deep intensity with a ruby red hue

Bouquet: Intensity red and black fruits on the nose. Red cherries with

dark plum undertones, and a slight hint of cracked black

pepper.

Palate: Medium bodied with primary red fruits of red plum skin and

cherry whilst the mid-palate has a lovely layer of pepper spice. The wine finishes with fine toasty tannins coupled with linear acidity that allows the wine to finish fresh and

in perfect balance.

Cellaring: This vibrant wine is great to enjoy now with food but will

soften and gain complexity over the next 5-12 years.

Ideal to drink Greek style slow roasted lamb.

Vintage: An excellent season with near perfect growing conditions

right through to harvest. Adequate winter and spring rainfalls set the wines up to burst into life and sustain beautifully balanced growth throughout the summer. Autumn was ideal with little rainfall and warm conditions

to ensure the grapes matured gracefully.





AWARDS & REVIEWS

Halliday Wine Companion - Campbell Mattinson

This release is on song. Black pepper and peppercorn characters float through cherry and plum fruit flavour. It's lively, it has enough depth, it finishes well and it charms throughout. The fine-grained, savoury aspect of the tannin here is of particular note. If you like the Great Western style, you can buy this with confidence. Drink by 2033 *Rating: 94 points*

The Real Review - Huon Hooke, December 2023

Medium-full red with just a faint tint of purple remaining, the bouquet peppery, bunchy and quite complex, spicy and dried-herby, with a definite influence of grape stems. Medium-full bodied with a gently chewy texture, and earthy tannins close out the finish. Good potential and value. An elegant shiraz. *Rating: 91 points*

James Suckling - Ned Goodwin,

This is good. A cooler climatic expression that remains distinctly Australian, rather than playing the reductive hand of an ersatz Rhone. An exceptional nose of mace, clove, blue fruits, olive and briar, backed by a wave of beef bouillon and iodine-umami warmth. The tannins, a clatter across the middle, with a bow of dutiful acidity drawn to just the right degree of tension. Some scrubby menthol dries the finish ever so slightly. This said, this is a delicious wine of immense personality and soul. Drink or hold. *Rating: 94 points*