



## 2001 BEST'S GREAT WESTERN CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Region:	Grampians
Sub region:	Great Western
Vineyard & Winery:	Concongella, Great Western
Date grapes picked:	20 <sup>th</sup> April
Maturation:	40% new with balance in one and two year old French oak barriques until bottling
Date bottled:	25 <sup>th</sup> September '01
Alcohol:	13.0%
Winemakers:	Viv Thomson & Hamish Seabrook
Cellar Potential:	Good 7 - 20 years

**Winemaker's Notes:** Lovely deep crimson, with purple hues provides a visual delight. The wine has a lifted aroma, which jumps out of the glass while the palate displays upfront fruit, dominant in varietal expression. Ripe cherries and cassis integrated subtly with fresh oak linger on the palate while the length of fruit and tannins provide endless intrigue to this complex mysterious wine.

The 2001 Cabernet Sauvignon is best suited to foods with the same austerity and expressiveness as the wine. Try shepherds pie, kangaroo, goat or braised steak.

**Vineyard:** Within the original 1800's nursery block at Concongella there is a row of vines which Henry Best named Pinot Dru in his daily journal.

It has since been identified as Cabernet Sauvignon. Further planting's of Cabernet Sauvignon did not take place until 1980 and 1982 when it, along with Merlot was planted to the 13-acre block at Concongella. Cabernet Sauvignon is the last variety to bud and the last to fully ripen