

# Tasting Note

## Best's Great Western 2017 'Gentle Blend' Riesling, Pinot Gris, Muscat and Gewurtztraminer

The blend is inspired by the great classic white blends of the noble white wine varieties in Alsace, France. Made from grapes sourced off our own Riesling blocks with Pinot Gris, Gewurtztraminer and Muscat from a passionate local grower. Best's also have a long history of producing superb blended aromatic white wines including some of these varieties.

### Technical Details / Tasting Note

<b>Growing Region</b>	Great Western, Victoria
<b>Grape Variety</b>	Pinot Gris, Riesling, Orange Muscat and Gewurtztraminer
<b>Winemaker</b>	Justin Purser
<b>Alcohol</b>	11.5 %
<b>Colour</b>	Very pale straw with silver hints.
<b>Bouquet</b>	Lifted aromas of lychees, pears, rose petals, curacao orange, cucumber and star anise.
<b>Palate</b>	The width and creaminess is bought by the white fruit flavours of Pinot Gris. This is held into line with the crisp citrus of Riesling and the savoury cucumber and orange peel of the Muscat. The Gewurtztraminer adds some sweet floral characters and bounces around between the other flavours. It finishes dry and begs to be tasted again.
<b>Cellaring</b>	The aromatic characteristics of this wine are best appreciated in the short to medium term, but this wine will gain complexity over the next ten years or so. Great with spicy Asian food. Drink now to 2028.
<b>Vintage</b>	Fantastic winter rains set the vineyards up for ideal spring growing conditions that saw great flowering and fruit set. The mild summer conditions and long ripening period (with some timely small rain events) ensured that the fruit matured in near perfect conditions for harvest. A vintage that has more resemblance to those of the 80s and 90s than the vintages of this century.

