



## TASTING NOTE

# 2018 GREAT WESTERN BIN NO.1 SHIRAZ

Best's Great Western as a Shiraz 'house' has gathered experience with the variety through the legacy of Best's long winemaking history dating back to 1866. Bin 1 Shiraz is the wine that often gives people an introduction to the regional style of Great Western Shiraz.

Made predominantly from Best's own vineyards and meticulously crafted with the same attention to detail as the Icon wines, 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 with no overt dominance of alcohol. It's a great match with food - particularly dishes like spring lamb.

### TECHNICAL DETAILS

<b>Region:</b>	Great Western, Victoria
<b>Grape Variety:</b>	Shiraz
<b>Alcohol:</b>	14.0%
<b>Winemaker:</b>	Justin Purser

### TASTING NOTES

<b>Colour:</b>	Deep violet red with a purple hue.
<b>Bouquet:</b>	Fresh blackberries and violets swathed in savoury tones of black pepper, aniseed and dried herbs.
<b>Palate:</b>	Inviting mid-weighted dark fruit flavours dance around the palate and continue with fine grained tannins and length.
<b>Cellaring:</b>	This vibrant and finely structured wine is great to enjoy now with food but will soften and gain complexity over the next 10 years.  Ideal to drink with a gamy meat dish and all the trimmings.
<b>Vintage:</b>	The vineyards set off to a great start in spring, but dry conditions throughout spring triggered a devastating frost on 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2017. The grapes on the lower vineyards were lost, but those on higher elevations were largely unaffected. Apart from a few warm days in January the conditions throughout the season were excellent and perfect ripening weather continued long into Autumn.





## **AWARDS & REVIEWS**

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Royal Perth Wine Show – Silver medal  
2019 National Wine Show – Bronze medal

### **REVIEWS**

#### **2021 HALLIDAY WINE COMPANION – August 2020**

Picked by hand and by Opti sorter/harvester, whole berry fermentation with 5% whole bunches. Wine show success is no surprise. Typical Great Western wine of high quality, intensity, focus and length to its spicy/peppery black forest floor fruits, achieved with a modest alcohol content. 14% alc. Drink to 2038. *Rating: 95 points*

#### **HALLIDAY TOP 50 WINES FOR 2020**

#### **THE REAL REVIEW, HUON HOOKE – August 2020**

Bright, deep purple/red hue. Fragrant pepper-spice aromas, evidently cool-grown, with a crisp, sinewy palate that has good intensity of shiraz fruit underlined by clean acidity and firm tannins. A trim, taut, tense wine, with a streak of green-pepper bitterness in the tannins.

#### **JAMES SUCKLING – September 2020**

Distinctive, cool-climate aromas of red berries, pepper, toasted spices, bacon fat and cocoa, sitting in fresh, complex mode. The palate is elegant, fine, and fresh with long, silky tannins delivering fresh red-plum and blackberry flavors. Silky finish. Drink or hold. *Rating: 93 points*