

Misha's Vineyard 'The Gallery' Gewürztraminer 2014



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92/100 "A restrained rather than an 'in your face' style of Gewurztraminer with gentle floral, white rose petal and white peach flavours. Creamy-textured wine that's made in an off-dry style. Very stylish wine." (**Bob Campbell MW**)

4.5 Stars \rightleftharpoons \rightleftharpoons \rightleftharpoons "The 2014 vintage, estate-grown and hand-harvested at Bendigo, was fermented in seasoned French oak casks, partly (25 per cent) with indigenous yeasts. Weighty (14.5 per cent alcohol), it has strong, ripe lychee and spice flavours, showing excellent delicacy and depth, good complexity, gentle acidity, and a slightly sweet (13 grams/litre of residual sugar), well-rounded finish. Drink now or cellar." (Michael Cooper, Buyer's Guide to New Zealand Wines 2017)

87/100 "The 2014 The Gallery Gewurztraminer has full-on aromas of rose water, Turkish delight and lychees with a core of honeydew melon. Dry, medium-bodied with a pleasantly oily texture, it gives textbook perfume and tropical flavors with a good long finish." (Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW, The Wine Advocate /eRobertParker.com)

* Highest rated NZ Gewurztraminer for this vintage.