



## Rosé on the Rise

While rosé is a small segment of the red wine market, it's currently experiencing a huge surge in popularity.

Rosé buyers tend to either be people who know quite a bit about wine and drink lots of different varietals, or wine novices who are willing to experiment with new flavours and styles. Slightly more women than men purchase rosé (60 per cent vs 54 per cent).

- Fresh, crisp and fruity, rosé is the perfect complement to lighter summer foods.

Source: Wine Monitor 2004 SCSR

## Pinot Grigio

Made from a variant of the pinot noir grape, this varietal is known as either pinot grigio or pinot gris.

It's one of the most fashionable white wine varietals of the moment. Although it only makes up a fraction of the bottled white market, sales growth of pinot grigio has in recent times far outstripped that of more established white varietals such as Chardonnay and Riesling.

Very versatile with food, pinot grigio pairs perfectly with lighter dishes such as simply-prepared salads and seafood.

Consider these great rosé and pinot grigio options from Foster's Australia:

### Wolf Blass 2005 Eaglehawk Rosé

- Juicy sweet fruit flavours of cherry and red berry, with a clean, crisp finish
- Ideal with lighter foods and sensational with Asian-inspired dishes

### Annie's Lane 2005 Rosé

- Strawberry and raspberry characters and luscious mouth feel
- Enjoy on its own or with lighter foods like salads or quiche.

### T'Gallant Juliet Pinot Grigio 2004

- From Australia's first producers of premium pinot grigio
- Enjoy with savoury Italian food or on its own.

### T'Gallant Pinot Grigio 2005

- Amazingly food-friendly - exceptional with salads or pan-fried seafood.



## GARY WALKER'S RETIREMENT

Gary Walker's retired from FoodWorks head office in December after many years in service to independent retailers.

Gary has spent many years as a member of the GALA Committee organising the successful fundraising raffles and prizes for the Master Grocers' Golf Day.

Gary Walker's farewell function was a very successful event! The liquor trade thanks everyone who made this event a memorable one. Gary was quite overwhelmed and very appreciative of all the praise and good wishes he has been receiving from the trade since the announcement of his retirement became public.

Thanks to all those who attended the pre-Christmas function and special thanks to all those friends and colleagues of Gary who made a financial contribution toward a really unique farewell gift. He will receive a token of appreciation - something to remind him of all of us in the Liquor Industry

Thanks to Bernard Hughes, John Silva and Brad Wynd for being part of the organising committee responsible for Gary's farewell at Tooheys Tap Room in Malvern.

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