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2025 Riverland Wine Show

Committee



Back (Left to Right): Kylie Wheeler, Barry Mangelsdorf, Andrew Brookes, Rakesh Junnare, Michelle Huckel, Ella Winnall, Seamus Donaghey, Sue Franke.
Front (Left to Right): Jo Beccaris, Viki Wade, Shelley Ray-Brennan, Amelia Anspach, Mel Kargas.

2025 Riverland Wine Show

Judges



Back (Left to Right): Steven Soper (Judge), Pia Merrick (Panel Chair), Jeremy Nascimben (Panel Chair), Georgia Daley (Associate), Ally Gossen (Judge).
Front (Left to Right): Katie Spain (Judge), Brooke Blair (Associate), Sarah Pidgeon (Chief Judge), Justine Prior (Judge).

Introducing our Chief Judge...

Sarah Pidgeon

Winemaker, Wynns Coonawarra Estate



Sarah's contributions to Wynns innovations include a rigorous oak selection programme, world class vision berry sorting, and developing the Wynns V&A Lane wines to further deepen the story-telling of the legendary Wynns vineyards.

Career highlights include involvement in the 60 vintages of Wynns Cabernet tasting, the V&A Lane wines, and deepening the knowledge of Coonawarra's significant single sites through the Wynns single vineyard wines. As well as several opportunities to be a guest wine columnist, Sarah is co-author of a history of Wynns vineyards, 'Out of the Blocks'.

Recent awards recognise a tenacity for excellence which has become a hallmark of Wynns culture. Awards include Finalist for the Gourmet Traveller Winemaker of the Year 2019; Joint winner of the ASVO winemaker of the year 2017 with Sue Hodder; Finalist of the Australian Women in Wine Awards winemaker of the year in 2015.

A graduate of the prestigious Len Evans Wine Tutorial, her judging experience spans two decades at both regional and national shows.

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Regulations

1. All classes shall be open to Wine and Brandy producers, hereinafter called "exhibitors" for competition according to the conditions applicable to respective sections. An exhibitor in this section shall mean a Person, Partnership, Association, Cooperative, Company or Corporate Body holding a current producer's license and licensed to sell wine and/or brandy under its own registered trading marks and under which the exhibit will finally be sold.
2. All exhibitors must conform to relevant State and Commonwealth health and regulatory Acts that govern the production or labelling of Australian wine and/or Australian brandy.
3. Wines competing in the Riverland Wine Show must be made using the required minimum of grapes grown within the Australian Geographical Indicator regions of Riverland, Swan Hill, Murray Darling, Riverina, and /or Rutherglen Inland Regions, as per the class description. Exceptions being for Section 6 - Special Classes where there is no restriction to the grape growing region.
4. No wine is to be entered more than once in the show.
5. There is no limit to the number of entries per class.
6. Exhibitors must enter using AWRI ShowRunner System. Exhibitors shall enter details as prompted including:
 - Class, variety(s) or generic description as required
 - Vintage (state NV if non vintage or average age where applicable)
 - Declare whether quantity in stock meets requirement
 - Name to be used in the results catalogue
 - State whether commercially dressed
 - Sweetness or Alcoholic strength as required.
7. All exhibits shall bear the labels supplied by the Society + ShowRunner and every effort should be made to ensure the label supplied does not obscure the commercial label.
8. Exhibits received late may be disqualified.
9. The description provided for each section (and class) must be adhered to; incorrectly entered exhibits may be disqualified.
10. The stewards reserve the right to transfer entries from one class to another.
11. Trueness to style will be at the discretion of the Chief of Judges.
12. Exhibits become the property of the Riverland Wine Show Society once received.
13. Wines entered in single variety classes must have a minimum of 85% of the specified variety. The predominant component of an entry in a blend class must not exceed 84% of the total volume. All components of the blend must be nominated on the entry form.
14. Each entry shall comprise in the:
 - Dry, sparkling and sweet wine classes 4 x 750ml bottles
 - Fortified wine 2 x 750ml bottles
 - Brandy 2 x 700ml bottles
 Entries in bottles of equivalent nominal sizes will be eligible.

15. Exhibitors please note - trophy and medal winners may be requested to supply additional bottles for the exhibitors/public tasting and the presentation dinner.
16. The Riverland Wine Show Society Inc reserves the right to audit any entry for the following: Non conformance with minimum stock requirements as stated, regional integrity, compositional integrity, and any other matter.
17. The Society reserves the right to have any exhibit inspected or analysed by one or more persons appointed for that purpose.
18. An exhibitor breaking any regulation may be disqualified from any future show or shows. No entry will be received from any person or persons disqualified by this or any other similar Society during the period of such disqualification. Should any such entry be accepted, it shall, when discovered, be deemed void and the entry fee and exhibit shall be forfeited.
19. Exhibitors shall be judged out of 100 points and awards will be made on the following basis:
 - Gold 95-100 points
 - Silver 90-94 points
 - Bronze 85-89 points
20. Trophies for best wines. Non commercially dressed wines can be entered into all sections of the show. However only entries fully dressed and commercially available for sale at the time of judging will be eligible for trophies. Only commercially dressed wines will be eligible for medals. Non commercially dressed wines will only be given a point score.
21. 'Commercially available' is defined as wines for sale via general distribution through the retail market (including wine clubs) in Australia and/or overseas as well as wines only available for sale at cellar doors or cellar door mail order.
22. Points for aggregate trophies will be allocated on the following scale:
 - Gold 5 points, Silver 3 points, Bronze 1 point. Points will only be awarded to commercially dressed wines.
23. In the event one or more exhibitors achieve equal aggregate points for a trophy, the trophy will be awarded to the exhibitor with the most gold medals. If this number is equal, the trophy will be awarded based on a count-back of silver medals.
24. Awards may be withheld in any class where exhibits are considered unworthy.
25. Medals may only be claimed or advertised under the name in which the wine was entered.
26. Judges will assess each class without collaboration and on receipt of all results for a particular class the panel Chairman shall have the points totaled, checked and determine the awards.
27. Judges will not have access to exhibits apart from the glass of each placed in front of them by the stewards.
28. Judges and Associate Judges shall not at any time prior to the announcement of awards have any access or knowledge as to the identity of the exhibits.
29. The decision of the Society and Judges shall be final.
30. No protest will be entertained unless made in writing within seven days of the announcement of the awards.
31. All results from this year's wine show will be published in the results catalogue, released to the media and displayed on www.riverlandwineshow.com.au/wineshow
32. Exhibitors are expected to comply with the Australian Grape and Wine Incorporated Code of Practice for the display of awards (except for clause 1, which applies to wines labelled for export only).

Australian Grape & Wine

Code of Practice for the Display of Awards

The Code applies to all Australian Wine producers for wine produced or sold in Australia or for export.

1. Producers will only use medals, stickers, symbols or other devices on a wine container or on any promotional material that are intended to indicate that the product has been granted an award if the award has been gained at an open, objective and independent wine competition.
2. Awards received by an individual wine will bear the name of the show and the year of award. The class number or class description is recommended but not mandatory.
3. Awards can only be applied on the brand and blend under which the wine was entered. Wine award portability is not allowed.
4. Awards received by a class of wines (e.g. "Winemaker of the Year", "Most Successful Exhibitor") shall not be used to suggest the individual wine has received any particular distinction. These awards will not be presented on the consumer package of an award or non-award wine in the form of a medal.
5. The use of gold, silver and bronze discs or a combination of one or more of these colours with a black disc to promote anniversaries, events, sponsorship and the like is not acceptable. Stickers and symbols or other devices should be sufficiently differentiated from show medals in terms of shape and/or colour to ensure no confusion.
6. It is recognised that there are a number of circumstances in which metallic discs can be used which clearly do not convey the impression that the wine has won an award. These are restricted to:
 - The presence of disc shaped stickers embedded within brand crests and /or architecture; and
 - Circular metallic devices which are decorative and clearly not medals; and
 - It is recognised that identification stickers attached to a bottle for wine not intended for resale, such as supplied to airlines, may fall outside the control of the producer.
7. Compliance by a producer (including by subsidiaries or by associated companies) with this Code of Practice is a condition for entry to Australian wine shows. Lack of compliance could result in the producer/exhibitor being disqualified from entering wines into specific shows.



Australian Grape & Wine

Code of Practice for the Display of Awards

Explanatory notes:

1. In general, the Code of Practice for the Display of Awards is supported by industry. Small amendments have been made to the code to help interpretation and clarify the intent.
2. It is now intended to extend its scope internationally and obtain support from international wine shows for its contents. It is also intended to enter into discussion with the key retail chains to adopt the Code.
3. Although the Code is primarily aimed at consumer packaging and labelling, the intent of the code is that all promotional material used to describe or present a wine should also comply.
4. The Code recognises that the presence of metallic discs embedded within brand crests and/or architecture should not be interpreted as medals. The use of disc shaped stickers to communicate volumetric detail and wine critic review ratings etc. is permitted as long as the discs are not gold, silver or bronze in colour. However, the key test is whether the presentation is likely to mislead or deceive a consumer. For the absence of doubt, the use of bottle ornaments that can be misinterpreted as a wine show award are not recommended.
5. The code recognises that awards are a reference point on wine quality for consumers, and that the consumer is not going to understand why a wine that was listed in the results catalogue as an award winner never becomes commercially available. Consequently, the code does not recognise wine award portability.
6. A contact point has been established within Australian Grape and Wine at info@agw.org.au. This point is to clarify aspects of the code and to liaise with companies that may have inadvertently breached the Code. Failure to comply will result in notification to the Wine Shows.
7. The Wine Industry Display of Awards Code of Practice has been reviewed by the Australian Society of Viticulture and Oenology (ASVO) Wine Show Technical Advisory Committee in consideration of the ASVO Wine Show Best Practice Recommendations.



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GENERAL EXHIBITION NOTES:

Trueness to style will be at the discretion of the judging panel.

Each entry shall consist of four (4) 750ml bottles or equivalent, unless otherwise specified.

Each exhibit shall require a minimum stock of 675 litres, unless otherwise specified.

All Entries in sections 1- 4 shall be 85% or greater from the Riverland, Swan Hill, Murray Darling, Riverina and/or Rutherglen Inland Regions.

BEST SINGLE VINEYARD RIVERLAND WINE TROPHY

To be eligible for the above trophy, wines must be 95% or greater from the Riverland Region GI and from a single vineyard. To be considered for award, please specify details relevant when prompted when entering with *ShowRunner*.

MOST SUCCESSFUL RIVERLAND EXHIBITOR TROPHY

To be eligible for the above trophy, wines must be 85% or greater from the Riverland Region GI. To be considered for award, please specify details relevant when prompted when entering with *ShowRunner*.

BEST SUSTAINABLE WINE TROPHY

Open to all Sustainable Winegrowing Australia certified wines, eligible exhibits must display the trust mark on the bottle. Provision of a current Certified Member certificate should be available on request by the committee for auditing purposes. To be considered for this award please specify details when prompted by *ShowRunner*.

BEST ORGANIC / BIODYNAMIC WINE TROPHY

Open to Organically or Biodynamically Certified wines produced within shows eligible regions. Appropriate certification bodies include, but not limited to NASAA, Southern Cross Certified and Australian Certified Organic (ACO). Current certification for entered wine should be available upon request by the committee for auditing purposes. To be considered for this award please specify details relevant when prompted when entering with *ShowRunner*.

BEST ALTERNATIVE WINE TROPHY

Wines or blends made primarily from the varieties Muscat Gordo, Pinot Gris, Pinot Grigio, Chardonnay, Semillon, Sauvignon Blanc, Cabernet Sauvignon, the Cabernet family generally, Pinot Noir, Merlot, Shiraz, Chenin Blanc, Riesling, Colombard, Grenache and Verdelho will not be eligible for the 'Best Alternative Wine' trophy.

The above varieties may not be considered for this award as a varietal wine, but may be used as a minor component in a blended wine. To be considered for the above award please indicate at time of entry by marking the relevant check-box when prompted by *ShowRunner*.

- Consideration of entries for these awards will be at the discretion of the Chief of Judges.

Section 1 - STILL WINE - ANY VINTAGE

- Class 1 Sauvignon Blanc / Semillon and Blends of
- Class 2 Pinot Gris / Grigio and Blends of
- Class 3 Chardonnay
- Class 4 Other Italian Whites
- Class 5 Other White Single Varietals
- Class 6 Other White Blends
- Class 7 Moscato
- Class 8 Sweet White
- Class 9 Rosé
- Class 10 Early Drinking Reds
- Class 11 Merlot
- Class 12 Shiraz
- Class 13 Shiraz Blends
- Class 14 Cabernet Sauvignon
- Class 15 Cabernet Sauvignon Blends
- Class 16 Durif
- Class 17 Other Italian Reds
- Class 18 Other Red Single Varietals
- Class 19 Other Red Blends
- Class 20 Sweet Red

Section 2 - SPARKLING WINE - ANY VINTAGE

Open to wines made by Transfer, Charmat, Methode Traditionelle and Carbonated methods
Excluding Moscato

- Class 21 Sparkling or Carbonated Wine

Section 3 - FORTIFIED WINE

450L Minimum Stock

Each entry shall consist of 2 x 750ml bottles or equivalent

- Class 22 Fortified Apera
- Class 23 Fortified White
- Class 24 Fortified Red
- Class 25 Fortified Red Vintage

Section 4 - BULK CLASS - ANY VINTAGE

24,000L Minimum Stock at time of sampling

Exhibits will attract point score but will NOT be eligible for medals or award

Exhibits do not need to be commercially dressed

Class 26 Bulk White Wine

Class 27 Bulk Red Class

Section 5 - BRANDY

Each entry shall require minimum Stock 500 LAL at time of entering

Each entry shall consist of two (2) 750ml bottles or equivalent

Class 28 Brandy

Section 6 - SPECIAL CLASS - ANY VINTAGE - ANY REGION

Open to winemakers of the Riverland GI Region

Entering winery must be situated within the Riverland GI region

Minimum 675L stock at time of entering

Class 29 Special White

Class 30 Special Red



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Austwine Trophy	Best Chardonnay
Enartis Trophy	Best Other White / Blend
Judo Bank Trophy	Best Sweet Wine
A&G Engineering Trophy	Best Rosé Wine
Novonesis Trophy	Best Shiraz
AMSAT Oak Alternatives Trophy	Best Other Red / Blend
Ricca Terra Trophy	Best Alternative Wine in Show
Wine Movement Trophy	Best Organic / Biodynamic Wine in Show
Sustainable Winegrowing Australia/ Riverland Wine Trophy	Best Sustainable Wine in Show
HAHN Corporation Trophy	Best Fortified Wine
Booth Transport Trophy	Best Brandy
Riverland Wine Trophy	Best Single Vineyard Riverland Wine
Oak Solutions Trophy	Best Wine in Show
Riverland Wine Show Committee Trophy	Most Successful Riverland Exhibitor
Multi-Color Australia Trophy	Most Successful Exhibitor
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CLASS RESULTS



ABBREVIATIONS:

G	Gold	95 - 100 points
S	Silver	90 - 94 points
B	Bronze	85 - 89 points

Entry Number	EXHIBITOR	COMMERCIAL NAME OF WINE	POINTS	AWARD
SECTION 1 - STILL WINE - ANY VINTAGE				
Class 1 - Sauvignon Blanc / Semillon and Blends of				
1	Dee Vine Estate	THE DROVER 2025 Sauvignon Blanc	95	G
2	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
3	DUXTON VINEYARDS	Pete's Pure 2025 Sauvignon Blanc	91	S
4	The Wine Group	Fisheye 2025 Sauvignon Blanc	85	B
5	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
6	Berton Vineyards	"Outback Jack 2025 Semillon Sauvignon Blanc"	87	B
7	Hill-Smith Family Estates	Oxford Landing 2025 Sauvignon Blanc	96	G
8	Berton Vineyards	Head Over Heels 2025 Sauvignon Blanc		
9	Vinarchy	Banrock Station 2025 Sauvignon Blanc	91	S
10	DUXTON VINEYARDS	Rewild 2025 Sauvignon Blanc	87	B
11	Mallee Estate	Mallee Estate 2025 Sauvignon Blanc		
12	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
13	Meditrina Beverages	Meditrina Beverages 2024 Meditrina W Sauvignon Blanc		
14	Vinternational Pty. Ltd.	Growers Gate 2024 Sauvignon Blanc	85	B
15	The Wacky Grape Wine Company	Paper Mache 2024 Sauvignon Blanc	93	S
16	Gill Estate	Gill Estate Rivah 2024 Sauvignon Blanc		
17	Ricca Terra	22 Degree Halo 2023 Lune de Blanc		
Class 2 - Pinot Gris / Grigio and Blends of				
1	Berton Vineyards	Head Over Heels 2025 Pinot Grigio	89	B
2	Vinarchy	Grant Burge 2025 gb15 Pinot Grigio	93	S
3	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	One Line 2025 Pinot Grigio	96	G
4	The Wine Group	Fisheye 2025 Pinot Gris	88	B
5	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	DBWS 2025 Pinot Grigio	86	B
6	Australian Vintage Ltd	Tempus Two 2025 Tempus Two Varietal Pinot Grigio	90	S
7	DUXTON VINEYARDS	Pete's Pure 2025 Pinot Grigio	85	B
8	Trentham Estate	Trentham Estate 2025 Pinot Gris		
9	Kangarilla Road Winery	Kangarilla Road 2025 Pinot Grigio	85	B
10	Berton Vineyards	Outback Jack 2025 Pinot Grigio	91	S
11	DUXTON VINEYARDS	Rewild 2025 Pinot Grigio	87	B
12	Ricca Terra	Ricca Terra 2025 Pinot Gris	95	G
13	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
14	Trentham Estate	Trentham Estate 2025 The Family Pinot Grigio		
15	NUGAN ESTATE	NUGAN ESTATE 2025 Annelise Pinot Grigio		
16	Dee Vine Estate	2 MONKEYS 2025 PINOT GRIGIO	93	S
17	Angove Family Winemakers	Little Birdie 2025 Pinot Gris	89	B
18	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
19	Meditrina Beverages	Meditrina Beverages 2024 Meditrina W Pinot Grigio	87	B
20	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
21	Gill Estate	Gill Estate Rivah 2024 Pinot Grigio		
22	Vinternational Pty. Ltd.	Growers Gate 2024 Pinot Grigio		

Entry Number	EXHIBITOR	COMMERCIAL NAME OF WINE	POINTS	AWARD
Class 3 - Chardonnay				
1	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
2	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
3	The Wine Group	Fisheye 2025 Chardonnay	88	B
4	Berton Vineyards	Head Over Heels 2025 Chardonnay		
5	Byrne Vineyards Pty Ltd	Flavabom 2025 Chardonnay	85	B
6	DUXTON VINEYARDS	Rewild 2025 Chardonnay	89	B
7	919 Wines	919 2025 Special Release Chardonnay		
8	NUGAN ESTATE	NUGAN ESTATE 2025 Third Generation Chardonnay	85	B
9	Byrne Vineyards Pty Ltd	Criminal Minds 2025 Chardonnay	92	S
10	DUXTON VINEYARDS	Pete's Pure 2025 Chardonnay	90	S
11	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	DBWS 2024 Chardonnay	86	B
12	NUGAN ESTATE	NUGAN ESTATE 2024 Cookoothama Chardonnay		
13	Trentham Estate	Trentham Estate 2024 Cellar Reserve Murray Darling Chardonnay		
14	NUGAN ESTATE	NUGAN ESTATE 2024 Dreamer's Chardonnay	95	G
15	Hill-Smith Family Estates	Oxford Landing Estate 2024 Chardonnay		
16	Mallee Estate	Mallee Estate 2024 Chardonnay		
17	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
18	Vinarchy	Banrock Station Chardonnay 2025		
19	Gill Estate	Gill Estate Gentle Giant 2024 Chardonnay		
20	Vinarchy	Leasingham Jam Shed Chardonnay 2024		
21	Angove Family Winemakers	Angove Organic 2024 Chardonnay	86	B
22	Angove Family Winemakers	Long Row 2024 Chardonnay	88	B
23	Spook Hill Wines - SA	Spook Hill 2024 Within The Pale Chardonnay	88	B
24	Vinternational Pty. Ltd.	Growers Gate 2024 Chardonnay		
25	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
26	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	Deen De Bortoli 2023 Chardonnay		
Class 4 - Other Italian Whites				
1	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	Rutherglen Estate 2024 Arneis	95	G
2	Freestone Estate	Freestone Farm 2025 Bianco d'Alessano	85	B
3	Kangarilla Road Winery	Kangarilla Road 2024 Fiano		
4	Wacky Grape Wine Company	Paper Mache 2025 Fiano	86	B
5	DUXTON VINEYARDS	Rewild 2025 Fiano	91	S
6	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	One Line 2024 Fiano	95	G
7	Ricca Terra	Ricca Terra 2025 Fiano	86	B
8	Berton Vineyards	Alfresco Range 2025 Fiano	90	S
9	Trimboli Family Wines	Yarrunga White 2025	90	S
10	Trentham Estate	Trentham Estate 2025 The Family Vermentino	88	B
11	Mallee Estate	Kāti Āilo 2025 Vermentino		
12	Berton Vineyards	Metal Label 2025 Vermentino	96	G
13	Wacky Grape Wine Company	Paper Mache 2024 Vermentino	93	S
14	Ricca Terra	Ricca Terra 2024 Vermentino	88	B

Entry Number	EXHIBITOR	COMMERCIAL NAME OF WINE	POINTS	AWARD
Class 5 - Other White Single Varietals				
1	Mallee Estate	Kāti Āilo 2024 Albarino	91	S
2	Pinnacle Drinks	Lingo 2024 Alba South Australian Albarino	95	G
3	Mallee Estate	Kāti Āilo 2025 Albarino	86	B
4	Mallee Estate	Kāti Āilo 2025 Assyrtiko	96	G
5	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
6	Ricca Terra	Ricca Terra 2024 Una Vita Grenache Blanc		
7	Ricca Terra	Ricca Terra 2025 Grenache Blanc	92	S
8	Angove Family Winemakers	Long Row 2025 Riesling	85	B
9	Byrne Vineyards Pty Ltd	Byrne Family Australia Sustainably Grown 2025 Riesling		
10	Mallee Estate	Mallee Estate 2025 Riesling		
11	Trentham Estate	Trentham Estate 2025 Cellar Reserve Verdejo	92	S
Class 6 - Other White Blends				
1	Ricca Terra	Terra do Rio 2025 White Blend	90	S
2	Freestone Estate	Freestone Farm 2025 White Field Blend	88	B
3	919 Wines	919 Wines 2025 Latin Collection 'Cha Cha'		
4	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	Rutherglen Estate 2023 Shelley's Block		
5	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	Renaissance 2023 VRM	92	S
6	Ricca Terra	Ricca Terra 2024 Bronco Buster	93	S
Class 7 - Moscato				
1	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	Sacred Hill 2025 Moscato	90	S
2	Angove Family Winemakers	Chalk Hill Blue 2025 Moscato	85	B
3	DUXTON VINEYARDS	Pete's Pure 2025 Sparkling Moscato	96	G
4	Dee Vine Estate	THE DROVER 2025 SWEET MOMENTS MOSCATO		
5	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
6	DUXTON VINEYARDS	Pete's Pure 2025 Moscato	91	S
7	Vinarchy	Banrock Station 2025 Moscato		
8	Mallee Estate	Mallee Estate 2024 White Frontignac	89	B
9	Vinternational Pty. Ltd.	Growers Gate 2024 Moscato	93	S
10	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
11	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
12	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	De Bortoli NV Petit Moscato	95	G
Class 8 - Sweet White				
1	Vinarchy	Hardys Stamp 2025 Riesling Gewurtztraminer	90	S
2	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	Sacred Hill 2024 Traminer Riesling	87	B
3	Ricca Terra	Ricca Terra 2023 Soldiers' Land Zibibbo		
4	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	Noble One 2022 Semillon	96	G
5	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	Deen De Bortoli 2022 Botrytis Semillon	91	S
6	Berton Vineyards	Reserve 2020 Botrytis Semillon	92	S
7	Lillypilly Estate Wines - NSW	Lillypilly 2016 Noble Harvest	95	G

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Class 9 - Rosé				
1	Vinarchy	Hardys VR 2025 Rose	85	B
2	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	Rutherglen Estate 2025 Rose	92	S
3	DUXTON VINEYARDS	Pete's Pure 2025 Shiraz Rose	86	B
4	Ricca Terra	Ricca Terra 2025 Colour of Calmness Rose	95	G
5	Angove Family Winemakers	Rhythm & Rhyme 2025 Rose		
6	Mallee Estate	Mallee Estate 2025 Rose		
7	Vinarchy	Cupio 2025 Pinot Noir Rose	90	S
8	Freestone Estate	Freestone Farm 2025 Alicante Rose		
9	Angove Family Winemakers	Angove Organic 2025 Rose	88	B
10	Gill Estate	Gill Estate Rivah 2025 Rose		
11	Berton Vineyards	Metal Label 2025 Rosé	87	B
12	Freestone Estate	Freestone Farm 2025 Tarrango Rose	92	S
13	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
14	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	Sacred Hill 2025 Rose	87	B
15	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
16	Mallee Estate	Kāti Āilo 2025 Rose		
17	The Wacky Grape Wine Company	Paper Mache 2024 Rosé	96	G
Class 10 - Early Drinking Reds				
1	Pfeiffer Wines	Pfeiffer 2024 Gamay	95	G
2	Mallee Estate	Kāti Āilo 2025 Grenache	89	B
3	Ricca Terra	Soldiers' Land 2023 Grenache	93	S
4	Freestone Estate	Freestone Farm 2025 Grenache	87	B
5	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
6	Ricca Terra	Ricca Terra 2024 Juicy June	85	B
7	Mallee Estate	Kāti Āilo 2025 Petit Verdot	90	S
8	Mallee Estate	Mallee Estate 2025 Pinot Noir		
9	Berton Vineyards	Head Over Heels 2025 Pinot Noir	89	B
10	DUXTON VINEYARDS	Pete's Pure Pinot Noir 2025 Pinot Noir	93	S
11	Mallee Estate	Kāti Āilo 2025 Saperavi	85	B
12	Ricca Terra	22 Degree Halo 2023 Chill With the Moon	86	B
Class 11 - Merlot				
1	The Wine Group	Fisheye 2025 Merlot	91	S
2	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
3	Meditrina Beverages	Meditrina Beverages 2024 Meditrina W Merlot	88	B
4	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
Class 12 - Shiraz				
1	DUXTON VINEYARDS	Pete's Pure 2025 Shiraz	88	B
2	Gill Estate	Gill Estate Gentle Giant 2024 Shiraz	86	B
3	Vinarchy	Banrock Station 2024 Shiraz	89	B
4	Vinarchy	Grant Burge 2024 Benchmark Shiraz		
5	NUGAN ESTATE	NUGAN ESTATE 2024 Scruffy's Shiraz	96	G

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6	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
7	Hill-Smith Family Estates	Oxford Landing 2024 Shiraz	88	B
8	Byrne Vineyards Pty Ltd	Flavaborn Vine Dried 2024 Shiraz	95	G
9	Hill-Smith Family Estates	Winesmiths 2024 Shiraz	86	B
10	Mallee Estate	Mallee Estate 2024 Shiraz		
11	NUGAN ESTATE	NUGAN ESTATE 2023 Dry Grape Shiraz	88	B
12	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	De Bortoli 2023 Organic Shiraz		
13	NUGAN ESTATE	NUGAN ESTATE 2023 Cookoothera Shiraz	93	S
14	Meditrina Beverages	Meditrina Beverages 2023 Meditrina W Shiraz	86	B
15	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
16	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	Renaissance 2023 Shiraz	91	S
17	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
18	Ricca Terra	Soldiers' Land 2023 Shiraz	85	B
19	Angove Family Winemakers	Long Row 2023 Shiraz		
20	Pfeiffer Wines	Pfriends of Pfeiffer 2022 Rutherglen Shiraz	86	B
21	Dee Vine Estate	NERICON 2020 VINEYARD RESERVE Shiraz	87	B
Class 14 - Cabernet Sauvignon				
1	DUXTON VINEYARDS	Pete's Pure 2025 Cabernet Sauvignon	88	B
2	The Wine Group	Fisheye 2025 Cabernet Sauvignon	87	B
3	Vinarchy	Grant Burge 2024 gb88 Cabernet Sauvignon		
4	Mallee Estate	Mallee Estate 2024 Cabernet Sauvignon		
5	Australian Vintage Ltd	McGuigan Black Label 2024 Cabernet Sauvignon		
6	NUGAN ESTATE	NUGAN ESTATE 2024 Third Generation Cabernet Sauvignon	87	B
7	Gill Estate	Gill Estate Gentle Giant 2024 Cabernet Sauvignon	87	B
8	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
9	Angove Family Winemakers	Long Row 2023 Cabernet Sauvignon	85	B
Class 15 - Cabernet Sauvignon Blends				
1	Australian Vintage Ltd	"McGuigan Black Label Cabernet Merlot 2024 Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Ruby Cabernet, Shiraz"	87	B
2	Vinarchy	Hardys Bin 161 Cabernet Merlot 2024	85	B
3	NUGAN ESTATE	NUGAN ESTATE 2023 Cookoothera Cabernet Merlot		
4	Angove Family Winemakers	Chalk Hill Blue 2023 Cabernet Merlot	86	B
5	Hill-Smith Family Estates	Oxford Landing 2024 Cabernet Sauvignon Shiraz	95	G
Class 16 - Durif				
1	NUGAN ESTATE	NUGAN ESTATE 2022 Single Vineyard Durif	90	S
2	Pfeiffer Wines	Pfeiffer 2023 Durif	95	G
3	Berton Vineyards	Metal Label 2023 Durif	89	B
4	Trimboli Family Wines	Black Duck 2024 Durif	96	G
5	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	Rutherglen Estate 2023 Durif	91	S
6	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	Renaissance 2021 Durif	86	B
7	Dee Vine Estate	NERICON 2021 VINEYARD RESERVE DURIF	86	B

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Class 17 - Other Italian Reds				
1	Ricca Terra	Ricca Terra 2023 Aglianico		
2	Berton Vineyards	Alfresco Range 2024 Barbera		
3	Berton Vineyards	Alfresco Range 2024 Lagrein	91	S
4	Whistling Kite Wines	Whistling Kite Biodynamic Wines 2024 Montepulciano		
5	Whistling Kite Wines	Whistling Kite Wines 2024 The Renegade Montepulciano		
6	Ricca Terra	Ricca Terra 2024 Montepulciano	93	S
7	Kangarilla Road Winery	Kangarilla Road 2022 Montepulciano	86	B
8	Trentham Estate	Trentham Estate 2024 The Family Nero D'Avola	90	S
9	Kangarilla Road Winery	Kangarilla Road 2023 Neo d'Avola		
10	Ricca Terra	Ricca Terra 2025 Nero D'Avola	88	B
11	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	One Line 2024 Sangiovese	95	G
Class 18 - Other Red Single Varietals				
1	Freestone Estate	Freestone Farm 2024 Pinot Noir	88	B
2	Angove Family Winemakers	Little Birdie 2025 Pinot Noir		
3	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
4	Gill Estate	Gill Estate Rivah 2024 Malbec	90	S
5	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
6	Gill Estate	Gill Estate Rivah 2024 Tempranillo	93	S
7	Mallee Estate	Mallee Estate 2024 Tempranillo		
8	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	Rutherglen Estate 2024 Tempranillo	95	G
9	NUGAN ESTATE	NUGAN ESTATE 2023 Single Vineyard Touriga	85	B
10	Freestone Estate	Freestone Farm 2025 Touriga		
11	919 Wines	919 2024 Reserve Touriga Nacional		
Class 19 - Other Red Blends				
1	Freestone Estate	Freestone Farm 2025 Red Field Blend		
2	Angove Family Winemakers	Angove Nanya Estate 2024 Cabernet Malbec Merlot	90	S
3	Trimboli Family Wines	"Sam Select 2024 Shiraz Durif Grenache"	88	B
4	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
5	WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN		
6	Ricca Terra	Terra do Rio 2023 Red Blend	95	G
7	Ricca Terra	Ricca Terra 2023 Bullets Before Cannonballs	93	S
Class 20 - Sweet Red				
1	Vinarchy	Banrock Station 2025 Crimson Cabernet	86	B
2	Vinarchy	Leasingham 2024 Jam Shed Shiraz		
SECTION 2 - SPARKLING WINE - ANY VINTAGE				
Class 21 - Sparkling and Carbonated Wine				
1	Vinarchy	YB by Yarra Burn NV Prosecco	93	S
2	Australian Vintage Ltd	Tempus Two NV Tempus Two Varietal Prosecco		
3	Trentham Estate	Trentham Estate NV The Family Prosecco	91	S
4	Ricca Terra	Ricca Terra 2024 Cinderella's Beads Prosecco	86	B

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5	DUXTON VINEYARDS	Rewild 2025 Sparkling Prosecco	85	B
6	DUXTON VINEYARDS	Pete's Pure 2025 Prosecco	91	S
7	Angove Family Winemakers	Chalk Hill Blue NV Bubbles		
8	Vinarchy	Grant Burge Petite Bubbles NV	95	G
9	Vinarchy	Yarra Burn Premium Cuvee NV	96	G
10	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	Sacred Hill NV Brut		
11	Angove Family Winemakers	Long Row NV Cuvee Brut	92	S
12	Freestone Estate	Purl NV Sparkling Chardonnay Pinot Noir		
13	Hill-Smith Family Estates	"Dunes & Greene NV Chardonnay Pinot Noir"	86	B
14	Vinternational Pty. Ltd.	Growers Gate NV Brut Cuvee		
15	The Wine Group	Cupcake 2025 Sparkling DALC Sauvignon Blanc		
16	Whistling Kite Wines	Whistling Kite Wines 2022 Sparkling Petit Verdot		
17	The Wine Group	The Wine Group 2025 Sparkling DALC Shiraz		
SECTION 3 - FORTIFIED WINE				
Class 22 - Fortified Apera				
1	Pfeiffer Wines	Pfeiffer NV Seriously Fine Pale Dry Apera	86	B
2	Pfeiffer Wines	Pfeiffer NV Seriously Nutty Medium Dry Apera	91	S
3	919 Wines	919 NV Pale Dry Apera	87	B
Class 23 - Fortified White				
1	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	Rutherglen Estate NV Muscat Aperitif	90	S
2	Pfeiffer Wines	Pfeiffer NV Rare Rutherglen Topaque	92	S
3	Pfeiffer Wines	Pfeiffer NV Rutherglen Topaque	95	G
4	919 Wines	919 NV Classic Topaque		
5	Pfeiffer Wines	Pfeiffer NV Grand Rutherglen Topaque	95	G
6	Pfeiffer Wines	Pfeiffer NV Classic Rutherglen Topaque	88	B
7	The Wine Group	The Wine Group NV White Fortified		
8	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	Black Noble NV Semillon	93	S
9	Pfeiffer Wines	Pfeiffer Wines NV Grand Rutherglen Muscat	90	S
10	Pfeiffer Wines	Pfeiffer NV Rare Rutherglen Muscat	96	G
11	Pfeiffer Wines	Pfeiffer NV Rutherglen Muscat	85	B
12	Pfeiffer Wines	Pfeiffer NV Classic Rutherglen Muscat	90	S
13	919 Wines	919 NV Classic Muscat		
14	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	De Bortoli NV Show Liqueur Muscat		
15	Vinarchy	Hardys NV Rare Muscat	95	G
Class 24 - Fortified Red				
2	919 Wines	919 NV Classic Tawny	88	B
1	De Bortoli Wines Pty Limited	8 Year Old Fine Tawny	92	S
Class 25 - Fortified Red Vintage				
1	Pfeiffer Wines	Pfeiffer 2018 Pfeiffer Christopher's VP	93	S
2	Pfeiffer Wines	Pfeiffer 2022 Christopher's VP	91	S

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SECTION 5 - BRANDY

Class 28 - Brandy

1	WITHDRAWN	WINTHDRAWN		
2	Angove Family Winemakers	St Agnes XO 15YO Brandy	95	G
3	Angove Family Winemakers	St Agnes Bartenders Cut Brandy	90	S
4	Angove Family Winemakers	St Agnes VSOP Brandy	96	G

SECTION 6 - SPECIAL CLASS - ANY VINTAGE - ANY REGION

Class 29 - Special White and Sparkling

1	Angove Family Winemakers	Lost Farm NV Pinot Noir Chardonnay	87	B
2	Angove Family Winemakers	Angove Family Crest 2024 Pinot Grigio		
3	Angove Family Winemakers	Angove Family Crest 2025 Fiano	87	B
4	Angove Family Winemakers	Lost Farm 2024 Chardonnay	90	S

Class 30 - Special Red and Rosé

1	Angove Family Winemakers	AMV-X 2024 Tempranillo Grenache Mourvèdre Carignan	90	S
2	Angove Family Winemakers	Angove Family Crest 2024 Grenache Shiraz Mourvèdre	85	B



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Judges' Comments

Class Class comment

- Class 01 Great varietal characters, clean wines with fresh fruit and balance got rewarded..
- Class 02 Lovely wines of typical character, with an innate true to type drinkability. Best wines showed bright fruit over well managed tannin and acid brightness.
- Class 03 Wines were well made across the vintages. Majority of the 2025 Chardonnays displayed impressive fruit vibrancy and balanced acidity. The best examples showcased purity of fruit without being overshadowed by oak. Several 2024 Chardonnays lacked primary fruit definition, with oak influence dominating the palate. Some wines were missing acid drive.
- Class 04 A lovely interesting and complex bracket of wines, showing the true suitability and time spent on these varietals in the warmer climates. We are most definitely heading in the right direction!
- Class 05 Greatly diverse bracket of wines, better examples showed balance of freshness, tannin extract and texture, giving interest and complexity.
- Class 06 The best wines in the lineup showed a balance between fresh fruit characters and bright acidity, resulting in vibrant and clean styles. Conversely, some entries lacked this balance, displaying cloying sweetness and coarse structural elements.
- Class 07 The Moscato class displayed a range of varietal characters, from floral and rose petal notes to more citrus-driven styles. The balance between sweetness and fruit acidity was a key highlight and widely celebrated. However, a couple of wines lacked the final touches of acid balance or showed a decline in freshness and color vibrancy.
- Class 08 An amazing class of sweet wines, highlighted by the Semillon bracket, which was just wow, such a delight, with the examples presented showing the true power and skill in that category.
- Class 09 With this category shining in the Riverland there were some excellent examples of what diversity and quality is possible. Much like the spectrum of colours and flavours, this class left us feeling excited about its future in this region.
- Class 10 A lovely class of wines, showing the industries push towards consumer driven early drinking smashable styles, with better wines showing freshness, brightness and drinkability, without overt greenness and winemaking artefact.
- Class 11 The 2025 Merlot showed good fruit expression and freshness, with clear varietal character. The 2024 Merlot displayed a good balance of tannins and fruit weight, offering a well-rounded structure.
- Class 12 The Shiraz bracket featured winning wines that showcased a mix of spicy pepper notes, balanced sweetness, and well-framed tannins. Some of the older vintages, however, lacked fruit freshness and sufficient tannin support, leading to a less vibrant structure.
- Class 13 Oak sitting slightly above fruit prevented wines from hitting the next level.
- Class 14 A mixed class of wines, with most examples although being simple, are quite commercially sound and well made for a price point.
- Class 15 Top wine showed great presence of poise, restrained power and ripeness, but with a coil of tannin and fruit that was truly above the rest. Very well done. Much in that medium bodied spectrum ready for consumption now but will reward short term cellaring.
- Class 16 As expected, a great class to judge, showing the varieties innate connection with warm climate viticulture and winemaking, with the best examples showing a pitch perfect balance of ripe (but not over ripe) fruit, oak and freshness. Always a delight!

- Class 17 A mixed selection of wines overall. Several wines showcased good fruit purity, balanced tannin structure, and appropriate palate weight, demonstrating varietal typicity. However, some entries lacked fruit intensity, overly oaked and resulting in a muted mid-palate. Additionally, a few wines exhibited technical faults.
- Class 18 Red wines that were awarded medals showed balance between tannin structure and varietal fruit expression. Some of the wines however were over oaked or developed characters and marked down due to mid palate finesse missing. Some did not show enough varietal character and lacked freshness.
- Class 19 Although a mixed class, the diversity was great to see, with the top wine showing how well warm climate varietals have come in our sunny Australian climate.
- Class 20 Very small class of agreeable wines that suit the purpose of soft sweet chillable red for consumption in the sun.
- Class 21 Wines that were awarded medals demonstrated varietal character and a clean finish. Proseccos that were balanced and clean palate were celebrated in this class. However, some wines showed signs of oxidation or coarseness—important flaws to watch out for.
- Class 22 Good to see these style of wines continuing on. Tricky style to keep in balance but we have some good serious versions here.
- Class 23 Such a unique highlight of the show to judge, showing the strength of these styles in these warmer regions, true Aussie gems. Better examples were true to style, well maintained during their time in barrel, with clean clear spirit, and assembled with the utmost skill, a true wonder.
- Class 24 Well looked after, keeping the vessels clean and fresh.
- Class 25 A lovely bracket of very well made Portuguese styled fortifieds.
- Class 28 Although a small class, it was a joy to look at, all great to be honest, with the best showing power and complexity over raw spirit push.
- Class 29 Two nice examples, just watch balance with winemaking artifact, oak etc.
- Class 30 Small class of wines, highlighting the thoughtful and adept winemaking skill of the districts winemakers playing their hand at alternate sources of fruit. Well done.



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