



Western Australian Boutique and Single Vineyard Wine Show

Entry Regulations

1. All classes shall be open to Wine Producers, herein called Exhibitors, and upon entry signifies adherence to the following general regulations.
2. An Exhibitor in this Show shall mean a Person, Partnership, Association or Corporate Body, licensed to sell wine under its own trademarks.
3. Eligibility: All wines exhibited must be produced from fruit grown within Western Australia. There are three ways wines can be eligible to enter the Western Australia Boutique and Single Vineyard Wine Show

3.1 Be a **Blackwood Valley wine**:

- i. The wine must contain a minimum of 85% grapes grown within the Blackwood Valley Wine Region.
- ii. The Exhibitor must have paid APC for the Blackwood Valley Wine Region in year that the wine was produced.
- iii. There is no limit on size of crush by producer.

3.2 Be a **Western Australia Boutique wine**:

- i. The wine must be produced by a producer that processed the juice of not more than 250 tonnes of grapes in that year of production.
- ii. Wines that were produced by a company who make wine for other producers, are eligible to enter, provided that they process the juice of not more than 250 tonnes of grapes for all their own labels or brands that year of production.
- iii. Producers who own more than one label or brand are eligible to enter, provided that they process the juice from not more than 250 tonnes of grapes for all the labels or brands owned by them in that year of production.

3.3 Be a **Western Australia Single Vineyard wine**:

- i. A minimum of 95% of the grapes used to make the entered wine must be sourced from a contiguous parcel of land that is "named" and can be easily identified.
- ii. Where the "name" does not appear on the bottle label, a declaration may be required confirming the parcel of land.
- iii. There is no limit on size of crush by producer.

4. All exhibits must:
 - i. Conform to respective Acts and Regulations of the States and Commonwealth of Australia, which govern the production of Australian Wine.
 - ii. Contain not less than 85% of the specified variety in all single varietal classes.
5. Regardless of the number of commercial labels under which it is released, a wine shall only be entered once in any single class in a given year.
6. An exhibitor may enter any number of wines in any one class.
7. Each entry shall consist of 4 x 750ml bottles for table wines and 1.5 litres for fortified wines.
8. Wines entered must have on hand for commercial sale, the following minimum quantities at the time of the show:
 - i. 20 dozen x 750ml bottles in classes 1 to 17
 - ii. 10 dozen bottles in class 18
 - iii. Fortified wines (class 19) may be held in bulk storage (minimum of 200 litres) and drawn down into bottles for the wine show.
9. All entries are to be made via Showrunner and must be received by 1st November 2024. Each entry attracts a non-refundable fee of \$45.00 per wine. Blackwood Valley wines are entitled to a discounted entry rate of \$40.00 per wine. Unpaid entries will not be judged.
10. Late entries may be accepted, at the discretion of the Wine Show Administrator.
11. All exhibits to bear labels supplied by the Blackwood Valley Wine Industry Association, and where possible, bear commercial labels. Labels will be emailed to the exhibitor on receipt of the entry.
12. Once received, all exhibits become and remain the property of the Blackwood Valley Wine Industry Association.
13. The BVWIA reserves the right to postpone judging to a later date where circumstances warrant such a change of date.
14. If the Wine Show is cancelled after the wines have been delivered, the BVWIA will refund exhibitors their entry fees, but will retain the wines for use as it deems appropriate.
15. The Wine Show Administrator reserves the right to accept or reject any entry; to question exhibitors on details of entry, and to change entries to a more appropriate class, if required.
16. Audit:
 - i. After the closing date, the BVWIA may randomly select at least two Exhibitors who will be inspected by a representative appointed by the BVWIA to verify the origin, quantity of wine produced and stock availability, in accordance with the declaration on the entry form. At least one sample bottle may be taken for comparison with the wine submitted.

- ii. All exhibitors agree to cooperate with and abide by the consequences of the wine shows' auditing process. The exhibitors agree to the publication, as contemplated by these recommendations, of audit results, including details of any penalties imposed; and the exhibitor agrees to make no claim of any kind or description arising out of or in connection with that publication, and indemnifies the wine show organisers in respect of any claim by any third party in respect of loss or damage arising out of or in connection with that publication.
17. Judging will be by a panel of three judges and two associate judges, who will judge each wine independently. Judging will be done by the 100 point scoring system; wines will be judged individually and then collectively to award a single 100 point score.
 18. All wines will be judged out of a maximum 100 points: Gold Award: 95 points and over Silver Award: 90 to 94 points Bronze Award: 85 to 89 points Entries awarded a Silver or Bronze Medal will be listed with a score in the Results Book. Wines awarded a Gold Medal will be listed without a score.
 19. The Chief Judge reserves the right to split or join any class at his or her discretion.
 20. Wines eligible for Trophies will be the highest Gold Medal awarded wines in the relevant class or classes. If no Gold Medals are awarded, then the Trophies may be determined from the highest Silver Medal wines at the discretion of the Chief Judge. A panel comprising all judges will determine the Trophies by comparative judging of the eligible wines. In the event of a tie, the Chief Judge will determine the trophy winner.
 21. The Most Successful Exhibitor will be determined by 5, 3, 1 system for gold, silver and bronze medals respectively. In the event of a points tie the award will be presented to Exhibitor with the most gold medals. If there is still a tie, then the most silver medals will be the decider. If a tie persists, then the Chief Judge's decision is final.
 22. To be eligible for the 'Best Alternate Variety' Trophy a wine must be made from a variety of which less than 500 tonnes was crushed in Western Australia the previous year, according to APC data.
 23. Exhibitors who choose to add medal labels to wines for commercial sale must use the name "Western Australia Boutique and Single Vineyard Wine Show" on the medal label together with the Class and the year the award was conferred. Exhibitors must comply with the WFA Wine Industry Display of Awards Code of Practice.
 24. If requested exhibitors are required to sell the Blackwood Valley Wine Industry Association up to one dozen bottles of any wine awarded a Gold Medal. The BVWIA will pay the wholesale price for any requested wine.