

In 2010 Winewise conducted its first Championship. It was born from a belief that Australia should have a prestige event that truly showcased our finest wines. Winewise does not consider the normal wine show format suitable for a "best of the best" event, and takes a different approach. Only gold medal-winning wines from the shows listed below are eligible.

The 2018 Winewise Championship will be judged in Canberra from 11-13 April, 2018

All eligible wines will be judged under ideal conditions in small groups of no more than six by the judging panels which will include members of the regular Winewise crew. We are delighted to advise that wine Industry legend Tim Knappstein will join us, as will Peter Nixon (Dan Murphy's National Fine Wine Manager), Bryan Currie, GM Hungerford Hill) and Nick O'Leary (Nick O'Leary Wines).

Each class winner will receive a gold-plated medallion cast by the Australian Mint

Unlike many other wine events, the Championship is not designed around making money. The entry fee of \$65.00 per wine covers judges' travel and accommodation expenses, venue hire, meals and the production of 21 gold-plated medallions by the Australian Mint. We have sought no sponsorship. We request only two bottles of each wine - not half a dozen for the purposes of on-selling most of them. Category winners are not asked for extra wine for presentation dinners etc. The Championship is conducted to honour Australia's best wines and provide valuable information for our subscribers.

List of Qualifying Shows

Adelaide Wine Show (Best dry white & best dry red only)

Adelaide Hills Wine Show

Australian Alternative Varieties Wine Show

Barossa Wine Show

Canberra Regional Wine Show

Clare Valley Wine Show

Geelong Wine Show

Gippsland Wine Show

Heathcote Wine Show

Hilltops Wine Show

Hobart Wine Show (Best dry white & best dry red only)

Hunter Valley Wine Show

International Riesling Challenge

International Sweet White Challenge

Langhorne Creek Wine Show

Limestone Coast Wine Show

Macedon Ranges Wine Exhibition

Margaret River Wine Show

McLaren Vale Wine Show

Melbourne Wine Awards (Jimmy Watson Trophy & François de Castella Trophy only)

Mornington Peninsula Vignerons Wine Show

Mudgee Wine Show

National Cool Climate Wine Show

National Wine Show

New South Wales Wine Awards

Orange Region Wine Show

Perth Wine Show (Best dry white & best dry red only)

Queensland Wine Awards

Riverina Wine Show (Riverina GI only)

Riverland Wine Show

Royal Queensland Wine Show (Best dry white & best dry red only)

Rutherglen Australian Fortified Wine Show

Sydney Wine Show (Best dry white & best dry red only)

Tasmanian Wine Show

Tumbarumba Wine Show

Victorian Wines Show

Western Victorian Wine Challenge

Wine Show of Western Australia

Yarra Valley Wine Show