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15 classes
Provenance

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FOREWORD

From the President

Queensland wine is entering an exciting new chapter, and the 2026 Queensland Wine Awards capture this momentum beautifully.

This year, 141 wines from 18 producers were judged, with 105 medals awarded and 74% of all entries receiving a medal. Twenty-one wines achieved Gold or better. These are results our industry should be proud of.

What makes Queensland wine so exciting is that we are not constrained by tradition. We have the freedom to experiment, lean into emerging varieties, to make wines differently and to follow where our climate, our growers and our curiosity take us. Queensland wine continues to challenge, surprise and delight.

I would like to personally thank our Chair of Judges, Andrew Santarossa, as well as Chief Steward for the 2026 Awards, Andrew Scott, for their support and dedication to this year's Awards. I would also like to thank all the other people that have worked tirelessly behind the scenes including Peter McGlashan, Tim Morgan, Mario Anders, as well as our panel of judges: Cameron Jones, Adam Chapman, Craig Robinson and Gillian Heathcote.

It takes many people giving their time and energy to make an event like this happen, and on behalf of QWIA as well as the broader Queensland wine industry, thank you for being part of it.

The opportunity ahead is enormous. These Awards celebrate the quality already being achieved across Queensland, but more importantly, they show what is possible when an industry backs itself, pushes boundaries and believes in where it is going.

Queensland wine is finding its voice. And it is getting louder. Congratulations to all.

Adam Penberthy

President · Queensland Wine Industry Association

REPORT

From the Chief Steward

A smaller field than last year, and a strong one, judged over three days at Varias in Stanthorpe. Here is how it ran, and who ran it.

This year's show drew fewer wines than we would like, partly because of a small volunteer base and a short runway to entries. But also due to a general trend in show entries around the country – one we intend to address with the industry between now and the 2027 awards. The standard of what arrived is a different story, with several classes, in the Chair's own words, being an absolute pleasure to judge.

We ran the show over three days – covering classes over the course of Tuesday and Wednesday, before returning bright and fresh-palated on Thursday to decide the trophies and champions. The reduced tasting load meant the judges had time to consider each wine fully. Every score here is the product of their earnest discussion and consensus.

The judges gave us three long days and a great deal of care. To Andrew Santarossa, our Chair, and to Adam Chapman, Cameron Jones, Gillian Heathcote and Craig Robinson: thank you for your professionalism, your patience with a new system and a rookie Chief Steward, and for the quality of the feedback you left for exhibitors. It will be read.

To my stewards, Pete and Tim: I could not have done this without you, and I mean that literally. Every glass poured, every glass polished, every bracket staged and every bottle labelled reached the panel on time.

A special note of appreciation to Mario Anders who built this year's judging system and handed it over to us gratis and with a great deal more patience than my questions deserved. He stayed on call all week, and he keyed most of the entry data himself. The show was running on Mario's hard work long before the first glass was poured.

Thank you to Adam Penberthy, President of QWIA, for a great deal of support behind the scenes. To Jaymie Cross, thank you for the administrative support and ensuring the money got where it needed to go.

A particular thank you to Jillian Kruger, who got the judges to where they needed to be, made sure they had somewhere to stay and something to eat, and did a great deal more besides. She was invaluable.

Thank you to Carnarvon Funerals for the engraving, and to Varias for the use of their Academy space. Having it to ourselves for the week, with room to move and room to breathe, made a real difference to how the show ran.

If you helped and your name is not here, the fault is mine and the thanks are still yours. A show this size runs on a small number of people doing more than their share, and this year every one of them did.

To the producers who entered: thank you for trusting us with your wines. The results follow.

Andrew Scott

Chief Steward · Queensland Wine Awards 2026

THE SHOW IN NUMBERS

141 wines, 18 producers,
three days

105

MEDALS

74%

OF ENTRIES MEDALLED

21

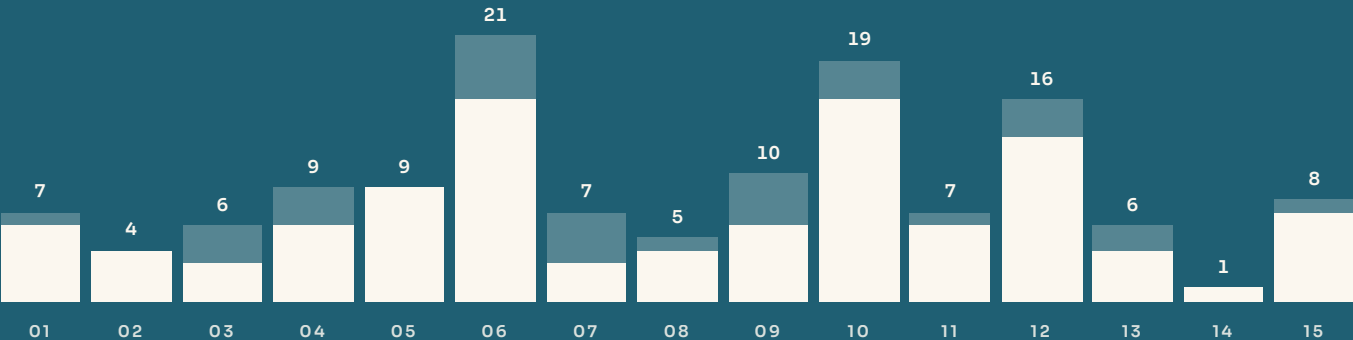
GOLD OR BETTER



11 Top Gold 10 Gold 40 Silver 44 Bronze 36 no medal

ENTRIES BY CLASS

Filled portion medalled



REPORT

From the Chair of Judges

What really stood out this year was the overall quality and consistency across the classes. Just as exciting was the diversity of varieties and styles being celebrated.

As judges, when you see consistent high quality along with diversity it makes the judging process enormously rewarding and provides a wonderful snapshot of the energy, confidence and creativity within the Queensland Wine Industry right now. It would be remiss of me not to give a special mention to the emerging white and red classes which not only hold amazing promise but delivered in the glass during judging.

The mission statement for the Queensland Wine Industry Association is to facilitate the pursuit of excellence, encourage the promotion of Queensland wines and deliver leadership. Based on my comments above, the pursuit of excellence in the current environment is to be applauded while still displaying a wonderful Queensland identity and authenticity. What needs to be considered is how these results are clearly communicated to critics and more importantly consumers. While we are all aware of the challenges facing the wine industry, the future is bright for the Queensland Wine Industry. My sincere thanks to the committee, volunteer staff, judging panel and exhibitors for their contributions to this year's show.

Andrew Santarossa

Chair of Judges · Queensland Wine Awards 2026

THE PANEL

Your 2026 Queensland Wine Awards Team

JUDGES

Andrew Santarossa	Chair of Judges · Wine Consultant
Adam Chapman	Senior Judge · Winemaker and Distiller
Cameron Jones	Senior Judge · Wine Ambassador · WSET Diploma · MW Candidate
Craig Robinson	Associate Judge · Winemaker, New Tricks Wine
Gillian Heathcote	Associate Judge · Winemaker, Heritage Estate Wines

STEWARDS

Andrew Scott	Chief Steward
Tim Morgan	Steward
Peter McGlashan	Steward

Every wine was tasted and discussed blind by all five judges. The panel this year was specifically designed to balance outside experience and local knowledge with both technical and trade perspectives represented.

Judging, and how to read the results

ENTRIES	Open to holders of a Queensland Wine Producer Licence. Every classed entry must be vinified in Queensland and be a bottled, finished wine in its commercial packaging, with at least 10 dozen available for sale at the time of the presentation. Wines made from grapes grown outside Queensland are eligible for medals but not trophies.
SCORING	Each judge scored every wine out of 100. Bronze from 85, Silver from 90, Gold from 95. The printed score is the agreed-upon result of the panel's deliberation.
TOP GOLD	The leading gold in each class. Where a class awarded one gold, that wine is its Top Gold. Where equal golds were awarded, the top wine was granted an additional point to resolve the top position.
TROPHIES	Decided on fresh bottles after class judging, by preferential ranking (Borda count). The four varietal champions are drawn first from their respective classes; those four winners, with Champion Sparkling and Champion Fortified, then contest Champion Wine of the Show. Class scores do not carry into the taste-off.
PROVENANCE	A supplementary challenge, not a class. Three vintages of the same wine are entered as a set. The bracket is unscored and decided by deliberation of the judging panel; the winning set is named Wine of Provenance.
THE LISTS	Every wine entered is printed, medalled or not, in score order within its class. Wine names print as the exhibitor entered them. Unnamed wines take their variety and vintage as the name. The same results appear twice: by class from page 26, and by producer from page 58.

READING A ROW

Producer	Wine name Variety - Vintage	 TOP GOLD	96
Producer	Variety - Vintage	 no medal · under 85	83

AWARDS

Eight category trophies.
Three Stewards Choices.
Three of the Year.
Two awards for service.
One Champion Wine.

AWARDS

And the award goes to

Two awards for service to the industry, the Champion Wine of the Show, the Winery, Winemaker and Viticulturist of the Year, the Stewards Choice, eight category trophies and every gold-standard wine. Each award is announced on a left-hand page; the detail faces it.

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Samuel Bassett Award

AWARDED TO

Robyn Puglisi-Henderson

For more than a quarter of a century, Robyn Puglisi-Henderson has played a central role in the growth and resilience of one of Queensland wine's most enduring family businesses.

A fourth-generation member of the Puglisi family and Business Manager at Ballandean Estate, Queensland's oldest family-run winery, Robyn combines a deep connection to the Granite Belt with the practical business acumen required to take Queensland wine to a wider audience.

Since returning to Ballandean Estate in 1999, Robyn's contribution has extended across almost every part of the business, including export, sales, finance, administration, people, projects, tourism and customer experience. Among her standout achievements was developing Ballandean Estate's export trade from zero to 20 per cent of business turnover in just five years, including establishing a market in China for the estate's premium red wines.

Her contribution reflects the less visible but essential work that sustains a regional wine industry: building resilient

businesses, creating markets, supporting people and ensuring that the achievements of one generation become the foundations for the next. Her service to the wider community has also been recognised, including with a Paul Harris Fellow Award for Community Service in 2016.

In presenting Robyn Puglisi-Henderson with the 2026 Samuel Bassett Award, the Queensland wine industry recognises more than 25 years of sustained contribution to the businesses, relationships and reputation on which the industry depends.

Robyn becomes the fourth member of the Puglisi family to receive the Samuel Bassett Award, following her father Angelo Puglisi in 2003, her mother Mary Puglisi in 2015, and her sister Leeanne Puglisi-Gangemi in 2019. It is an extraordinary multi-generational contribution to Queensland wine.

THE AWARD

The Queensland wine industry's highest mark of tribute for long-term contribution and leadership. Named for Samuel Symons Bassett, who hauled the first wine grape cuttings to Roma in 1863.

THE SAMUEL BASSETT AWARD

Samuel Symons Bassett

1840 to 1912

The story of Samuel Bassett is the story of Queensland wine, which is to say it starts with somebody being told "you can't make wine in Queensland".

In 1863 there was no wine industry in Queensland to speak of. The country west of the Great Dividing Range was sheep country, everybody knew it, and everybody knew that serious wine in the colonies came from the south. It's too hot out there. Too dry, too rough, and generally too far from anywhere. The matter was considered settled.

Bassett, a headstrong 23-year-old Cornishman managing a sheep station out near Roma, didn't listen. He saw potential in the sandy loam soils along Bungil Creek, took up ground of his own along it, and hauled the first cuttings overland from Toowoomba - a gruelling two-month journey over rough bullock tracks. They told him that the vines wouldn't even survive the journey. But they did, and that bundle of sticks off the back of a bullock-dray would become the scion of an industry.

The original 270-acre Romavilla Vineyard was established three years later, an enterprise that would eventually comprise 400 acres under vine - more than half the area under vine of the modern-day Granite Belt, in his single, family-owned estate. And it isn't just the scale of the operation that is impressive. In 1901 his wines took nine of the ten first prizes at the Queensland Exhibition, and he would eventually amass over 650 awards and medals for his wines in an industry that had spent forty years telling him it couldn't be done.

The Samuel Bassett Award is the Queensland wine industry's highest mark of tribute for long-term contribution and leadership. It celebrates those who believe in what we do, who aren't afraid to hold our ground in the face of the doubters, and who leave the industry better placed than they found it.

It carries his name because the argument he took on over 160 years ago is the same one that every Queensland wine producer is still all too familiar with. Every one of us continues the work he started, and answers it with the same quiet confidence that he did, one glass at a time.

QUEENSLAND WINE AWARDS 2026

Supporter of Queensland Wine

AWARDED TO

The Church: Local Wine Project

A collective shopfront for the Granite Belt

The Church: Local Wine Project represents the kind of collaborative thinking that will help Queensland wine grow.

THE AWARD

For an organisation outside the producers themselves that gives Queensland wine a presence and a route to market.

CITATION

The Church: Local Wine Project

Supporter of Queensland Wine 2026

The Church: Local Wine Project represents the kind of collaborative thinking that will help Queensland wine grow.

Rather than focusing on a single label, The Church has created a collective shopfront for the Granite Belt, giving visitors the opportunity to discover wines from producers across the region, including smaller makers and brands that may not have their own cellar door. Through rotating winery showcases, self-guided tastings and a strong focus on alternative varieties and regional storytelling, it is creating another pathway for Queensland wine to reach consumers.

Importantly, The Church isn't simply selling wine; it is helping sell the region. It encourages discovery, collaboration and visitation while giving more Queensland producers a voice, a presence and a route to market. It is a genuine supporter of the broader industry and a worthy recipient of the Supporter of Queensland Wine Award.

Champion Wine of the Show

AWARDED TO

Symphony Hill Wines Albariño – 2025

Class 06 · Open Whites · Top Gold · also Champion Emerging White and Best Estate Grown White

Peach, melon and lime, with lemon balm, sea spray and oily, waxy tones. A powerful nose and a generous entry; a textural, lees-driven mid-palate that gives spice and weight, crunchy acidity and very good intensity. Saline, with green almond and citrus on a very long finish.

DRAWN FROM THE JUDGES' TASTING NOTES

Champion Wine of the Show was decided by a Borda count of the judges' preferences, with priority given to the number of first preferences.

96

SCORE

Abraham de Klerk

WINEMAKER AND VITICULTURIST

PANEL NOTES

Symphony Hill Wines

Albariño – 2025

Class 06 · Open Whites · Top Gold · 96 · Abraham de Klerk, winemaker and viticulturist

JUDGE	NOTE, AS WRITTEN	SCORE
Andrew Santarossa	Peach, melon and lime notes. Generous entry with textural mid-palate, saline expression with green almond finish.	96
Adam Chapman	Lemon balm, riper lemon juice with oily waxy tones and sea spray, and crunchy acidity and very good intensity and nuttiness and citrus really enhance the complexity and length.	96
Cameron Jones	Powerful nose, yellow fruit, tinned peaches. Palate also intense and very long, textural finish. Lovely lees driven texture, gives spice and weight.	95

TROPHIES

Champion Wine of the Show
Champion Emerging White
Best Estate Grown White

Queensland Winery of the Year

AWARDED TO

Ballandean Estate Wines

39 points · 16 medals from 16 entries

Scored on medal points across every wine the winery entered.
Ballandean medalled all sixteen of its entries, including the Top Gold in Class 12 for its Saperavi 2025.

1

TOP GOLD

1

GOLD

7

SILVER

7

BRONZE

Ballandean Estate Wines

Every wine entered, in score order. 16 entered · 16 medalled · 39 points.

CLASS	WINE		AWARD	SCORE
12	Saperavi – 2025	Open Reds	 TOP GOLD	96
15	Fortified Saperavi – 2025	Fortified Wines	 GOLD	95
05	Fiano – 2026	Italian Whites	 SILVER	92
03	Semillon Sauvignon Blanc – 2026	Semillon, Sauvignon Blanc	 SILVER	91
05	Malvasia – 2026	Italian Whites	 SILVER	91
06	Viognier – 2026	Open Whites	 SILVER	91
10	Shiraz Durif – 2024	Shiraz	 SILVER	91
09	Novello Cabernet Franc – 2026	Cabernet et al	 SILVER	90
13	White Pearl White Muscat Semillon – 2026	Sweet Wines	 SILVER	90
10	Unwooded Shiraz – 2026	Shiraz	 BRONZE	88
10	Shiraz Viognier – 2024	Shiraz	 BRONZE	88
15	Fortified Shiraz – 2025	Fortified Wines	 BRONZE	88
07	Rosé Shiraz Black Muscat – 2026	Rosé	 BRONZE	87
09	Malbec – 2024	Cabernet et al	 BRONZE	86
13	Summertime Shiraz Black Muscat – 2026	Sweet Wines	 BRONZE	86
15	Fine Old Tawny – NV	Fortified Wines	 BRONZE	86

FIND THEM

354 Sundown Road, Ballandean · ballandeanestate.com

Queensland Winemaker of the Year

AWARDED TO

Boxi Zhen

Riversands Wines and Ballandean Estate Wines · 22 points on the four-wine count

Scored on each winemaker's top three wines, going to a fourth in the event of a tie.

	Anchorage Chardonnay - 2025 Riversands Wines · Class 04 · Chardonnay	96
	Saperavi - 2025 Ballandean Estate Wines · Class 12 · Open Reds	96
	Sunset Vermentino - 2026 Riversands Wines · Class 05 · Italian Whites	95
	Bold Shepherd Saperavi - 2024 Riversands Wines · Class 12 · Open Reds	95

Boxi Zhen

Riversands Wines and Ballandean Estate Wines · every medalled wine, in score order.

CLASS	PRODUCER	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
04	Riversands Wines	Anchorage Chardonnay - 2025	 TOP GOLD	96
12	Ballandean Estate Wines	Saperavi - 2025	 TOP GOLD	96
05	Riversands Wines	Sunset Vermentino - 2026	 GOLD	95
12	Riversands Wines	Bold Shepherd Saperavi - 2024	 GOLD	95
15	Ballandean Estate Wines	Fortified Saperavi - 2025	 GOLD	95
01	Riversands Wines	Let's Dance Chardonnay - 2025	 SILVER	92
05	Ballandean Estate Wines	Fiano - 2026	 SILVER	92
03	Ballandean Estate Wines	Semillon Sauvignon Blanc - 2026	 SILVER	91
05	Ballandean Estate Wines	Malvasia - 2026	 SILVER	91
06	Ballandean Estate Wines	Viognier - 2026	 SILVER	91
10	Ballandean Estate Wines	Shiraz Durif - 2024	 SILVER	91
01	Riversands Wines	Music in the Mulga Shiraz - 2024	 SILVER	90
09	Ballandean Estate Wines	Novello Cabernet Franc - 2026	 SILVER	90
13	Ballandean Estate Wines	White Pearl White Muscat Semillon - 2026	 SILVER	90
15	Riversands Wines	Black Magic Vintage Fortified - 2023	 SILVER	90
15	Riversands Wines	Golden Liqueur Muscat - NV	 BRONZE	89
10	Ballandean Estate Wines	Unwooded Shiraz - 2026	 BRONZE	88
10	Ballandean Estate Wines	Shiraz Viognier - 2024	 BRONZE	88

FIND THEM

Riversands Wines · 66 Whytes Road, St George · riversandswines.com
Ballandean Estate Wines · 354 Sundown Road, Ballandean · ballandeanestate.com

Queensland Viticulturist of the Year

AWARDED TO

Jason Costanzo

Golden Grove Estate · 17 points on the three-wine count

Scored on the top three wines grown by each viticulturist. Golden Grove fruit took two Top Golds, the Barbera in Class 11 and the Old Vine Shiraz in Class 10, both at 96.

	Old Vine Shiraz - 2023 Class 10 · Shiraz	96
	Barbera - 2025 Class 11 · Italian Reds	96
	Chardonnay - 2025 Class 04 · Chardonnay	95

Stewards Choice

One wine from each of the three regions, chosen by the stewards.

REGION	PRODUCER	WINE
GRANITE BELT	rokkwell	Garganega - 2026
SOUTH BURNETT	Clovely Estate	Semillon - 2021
REST OF QUEENSLAND	Riversands Wines	Music in the Mulga Shiraz - 2024

How close it was

Three of the four biggest honours were decided by a single point or a tiebreak.

CONTEST	RESULT	MARGIN
Champion Wine of the Show	Symphony Hill Wines Albariño - 2025	Level, 9 to 9 on the Borda count with the Golden Grove Estate Barbera. Decided on first preferences.
Queensland Winemaker of the Year	Boxi Zhen	Level on the rule as written: 17 all across the top three wines, at 96, 96 and 95 apiece. Decided by extending the count to a fourth wine, 22 to Ray Costanzo's 20.
Queensland Winery of the Year	Ballandean Estate Wines	One point. 39 to Golden Grove Estate's 38.
Queensland Viticulturist of the Year	Jason Costanzo	One point. 17 to David Blacket's 16.

David Blacket grows for Riversands Wines at St George, 400 kilometres west of the Granite Belt, and finished one point off Viticulturist of the Year.

Ray Costanzo entered ten wines and medalled all ten at silver or better, the only exhibitor above two entries to do so; the next best rate was 75 per cent.

TROPHIES

Category Champions

Decided at the taste-off, Thursday 3 September 2026 · eight trophies and the Wine of Provenance

Decided by Borda count on fresh bottles. The four varietal champions were drawn first from the class Top Golds; their winners, with Champion Sparkling and Champion Fortified, contested Champion Wine of the Show. Class scores do not carry into the taste-off.

TROPHY	SCORE
CHAMPION SPARKLING	
 Sirromet Wines Nadine Blanc de Blancs Chardonnay - 2022 · Class 01	95
CHAMPION MAINSTREAM WHITE	
 Clovely Estate Semillon - 2021 · Class 03	95
CHAMPION WINE OF THE SHOW & CHAMPION EMERGING WHITE	
 Symphony Hill Wines Albariño - 2025 · Class 06	96
CHAMPION MAINSTREAM RED	
 Golden Grove Estate Old Vine Shiraz - 2023 · Class 10	96
CHAMPION EMERGING RED	
 Golden Grove Estate Barbera - 2025 · Class 11	96
CHAMPION FORTIFIED	
 Sirromet Wines Clyde Tawny - NV · Class 15	96
BEST ESTATE GROWN WHITE	
 Symphony Hill Wines Albariño - 2025 · Class 06	96
BEST ESTATE GROWN RED	
 Golden Grove Estate Old Vine Shiraz - 2023 · Class 10	96
WINE OF PROVENANCE	
 Hidden Creek Viognier - 2021 · 2024 · 2025	

BEST MUSEUM WINE OF SHOW Not awarded in 2026

 Top Gold  Gold  Silver  Bronze

TOP GOLDS

One wine in every class that awarded gold

Ten classes awarded gold · 21 wines at gold or better

Where a class produced a single gold, that wine is its Top Gold. Where equal golds were awarded, the top wine was granted an additional point to resolve the top position.

10

TOP GOLDS

10

GOLDS

10

CLASSES WITH GOLD

CLASS	TOP GOLD		AWARD	SCORE
01	Sirromet Wines	Nadine Sparkling Blanc de Blancs - 2022	 TOP GOLD	95
02	Symphony Hill Wines	Reserve Verdelho - 2025	 TOP GOLD	95
03	Clovely Estate	Semillon - 2021	 TOP GOLD	95
04	Riversands Wines	Anchorage Chardonnay - 2025	 TOP GOLD	96
05	rokkwell	Garganega - 2026	 TOP GOLD	96
06	Symphony Hill Wines	Albariño - 2025	 TOP GOLD	96
10	Golden Grove Estate	Old Vine Shiraz - 2023	 TOP GOLD	96
11	Golden Grove Estate	Barbera - 2025	 TOP GOLD	96
12	Ballandean Estate Wines	Saperavi - 2025	 TOP GOLD	96
15	Sirromet Wines	Clyde Tawny - NV	 TOP GOLD	96

NO GOLD AWARDED

Classes 07, 08, 09, 13 and 14. Their highest awards are on the class pages.

 Top Gold  Gold  Silver  Bronze

CLASS 01 Sparkling Wines

Sparkling · 7 wines · 6 medalled · 1 gold or better

“A strong, small class with great diversity and strong medal wines.”

ANDREW SANTAROSSA · CHAIR OF JUDGES



TOP GOLD

Nadine Blanc de Blancs Chardonnay – 2022

Sirromet Wines

95

PRODUCER	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
Sirromet Wines	Nadine Blanc de Blancs Chardonnay - 2022	 TOP GOLD	95
Riversands Wines	Let's Dance Chardonnay - 2025	 SILVER	92
Riversands Wines	Music in the Mulga Shiraz - 2024	 SILVER	90
Jester Hill Wines	The Phoenix Roussanne - NV	 BRONZE	88
Ridgemill Estate	Ellie Methode Traditional Chardonnay - 2023	 BRONZE	87
Dear Vincent Wines	Pet Nat Pinot Gris, Viognier, Verdelho, Chardonnay - 2025	 BRONZE	87
O'Reillys Canungra Valley Vineyards	100 year Celebration Grüner Veltliner Marsanne - 2022		83

CLASS
02 Verdelho
& dominant blends

White · 4 wines · 4 medalled · 1 gold or better

“Gold medal wine was an excellent example of the variety. Well done.”

ANDREW SANTAROSSA · CHAIR OF JUDGES



TOP GOLD

Reserve Verdelho – 2025

Symphony Hill Wines

95

PRODUCER	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
Symphony Hill Wines	Reserve Verdelho - 2025	 TOP GOLD	95
Twisted Gum Wines	Verdelho Semillon - 2025	 SILVER	90
Ridgemill Estate	Verdelho - 2026	 BRONZE	86
Jester Hill Wines	Touchstone Verdelho - 2025	 BRONZE	86

CLASS

03

Semillon, Sauvignon Blanc

& dominant blends

White · 6 wines · 3 medalled · 1 gold or better

“Excellent diversity of style with a gold medal a standout example of variety. Oak use, origin and suitability requires some further winemaking thought.”

ANDREW SANTAROSSA · CHAIR OF JUDGES



TOP GOLD

Semillon – 2021

Clovely Estate

95

PRODUCER	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
Clovely Estate	Semillon - 2021	 TOP GOLD	95
Ballandean Estate Wines	Semillon Sauvignon Blanc - 2026	 SILVER	91
Riversands Wines	Beardmore's Dry Sauvignon Blanc - 2026	 BRONZE	87
rokkwell	Fumé Blanc Sauvignon Blanc - 2024		84
Ridgemill Estate	Fume Blanc Sauvignon Blanc - 2023		82
Jester Hill Wines	Touchstone Sauvignon Blanc - 2026		81

CLASS

04

Chardonnay

& dominant blends

White · 9 wines · 6 medalled · 2 gold or better

“Wonderful diverse styles of Chardonnay. Top Gold was classic representation that ticked all the boxes – varietal, complex and persistent. A note to exhibitors about green characters in oak coming through to the detriment of the overall wine.”

ANDREW SANTAROSSA · CHAIR OF JUDGES



TOP GOLD

Anchorage Chardonnay – 2025

Riversands Wines

96

PRODUCER	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
Riversands Wines	Anchorage Chardonnay - 2025	 TOP GOLD	96
Golden Grove Estate	Chardonnay - 2025	 GOLD	95
Dear Vincent Wines	Chardonnay - 2025	 SILVER	93
Ridgemill Estate	WYP Chardonnay - 2025	 SILVER	91
Sirromet Wines	Signature Chardonnay - 2024	 BRONZE	86
Hidden Creek	Chardonnay - 2025	 BRONZE	85
Summit Estate Wines	Chardonnay - 2024		84
Jester Hill Wines	Touchstone Chardonnay - 2024		83
Jester Hill Wines	Touchstone Chardonnay - 2023		83

CLASS

05

Italian Whites

Italian white varieties & dominant blends

White · 9 wines · 9 medalled · 2 gold or better

“An outstanding class with every wine scoring medals. Another class that was an absolute pleasure to judge. Excellent varietal representation with purity and classy winemaking.”

ANDREW SANTAROSSA · CHAIR OF JUDGES



TOP GOLD

Garganega – 2026

rokkwell

96

PRODUCER	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
rokkwell	Garganega - 2026	 TOP GOLD	96
Riversands Wines	Sunset Vermentino - 2026	 GOLD	95
Ballandean Estate Wines	Fiano - 2026	 SILVER	92
Ballandean Estate Wines	Malvasia - 2026	 SILVER	91
Ridgemill Estate	Pinot Grigio - 2026	 SILVER	91
Golden Grove Estate	Vermentino - 2026	 SILVER	91
Banca Ridge Wines	Fiano - 2025	 BRONZE	88
Sirromet Wines	granit Vermentino - 2025	 BRONZE	87
Sirromet Wines	granit Fiano - 2025	 BRONZE	86

CLASS

06

Open Whites

Open dry / off-dry white varieties & blends

White · 21 wines · 16 medalled · 2 gold or better

“A well executed group of varieties with good regionality focus and strong fruit coming through from vineyards.”

ANDREW SANTAROSSA · CHAIR OF JUDGES



TOP GOLD

Albariño – 2025

Symphony Hill Wines

96

PRODUCER	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
Symphony Hill Wines	Albariño - 2025	 TOP GOLD	96
Ridgemill Estate	Pressing Verdelho Pinot Grigio Riesling Semillon (Textural) - 2023	 GOLD	95
Symphony Hill Wines	Wild Child Viognier - 2025	 SILVER	93
Ballandean Estate Wines	Viognier - 2026	 SILVER	91
Hidden Creek	Marsanne Viognier - 2024	 SILVER	90
Dear Vincent Wines	Pinot Gris (Skin Contact) - 2025	 SILVER	90
Banca Ridge Wines	Verdejo - 2026	 SILVER	90
Savina Lane Wines	Reminiscence Viognier - 2025	 SILVER	90
O'Reillys Canungra Valley Vineyards	Vince Viognier Marsanne - 2025	 SILVER	90
Hidden Creek	Viognier Marsanne Roussanne - 2026	 SILVER	90
Banca Ridge Wines	Albariño - 2026	 BRONZE	88
Sirromet Wines	XXV Vermentino Chardonnay Fiano - 2025	 BRONZE	88
Hidden Creek	Marsanne - 2026	 BRONZE	87
Jester Hill Wines	Touchstone Roussanne - 2024	 BRONZE	87
Summit Estate Wines	Marsanne - 2026	 BRONZE	86
Dear Vincent Wines	Viognier - 2024	 BRONZE	86
Ridgemill Estate	WYP Riesling (Textural) - 2024		84
Ridgemill Estate	Riesling - 2026		83
Jester Hill Wines	Touchstone Roussanne - 2025		83
Hidden Creek	Viognier - 2025		83
Hidden Creek	Viognier Marsanne Roussanne - 2025		83

CLASS 07 Rosé

Rosé · 7 wines · 3 medalled · 0 gold or better

“More focus on balance and purpose driven Rosé wines required. Silver medal wines have freshness and fruit to showcase.”

ANDREW SANTAROSSA · CHAIR OF JUDGES

HIGHEST AWARD · SILVER



**Rosé Brosé Shiraz, Grenache, Sangiovese,
Vermentino – 2026**

Golden Grove Estate

91

PRODUCER	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
Golden Grove Estate	Rosé Brosé Shiraz, Grenache, Sangiovese, Vermentino - 2026	 SILVER	91
Ridgemill Estate	Snigley's Tempranillo Mencia - 2026	 SILVER	90
Ballandean Estate Wines	Rosé Shiraz Black Muscat - 2026	 BRONZE	87
Jester Hill Wines	Blush n Blunder Sangiovese Shiraz - 2026		84
Clovely Estate	Rosé Nebbiolo - 2025		83
Riversands Wines	Country Heart Rosé - 2026		83
View Wine	Rosé Merlot - 2026		82

CLASS

08

Light Reds

Any varieties & blends

Red · 5 wines · 4 medalled · 0 gold or better

“Some nice commercial wines that represent the class.”

ANDREW SANTAROSSA · CHAIR OF JUDGES



HIGHEST AWARD · BRONZE

Mencia – 2024

Ridgemill Estate

87

PRODUCER	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
Ridgemill Estate	Mencia - 2024	 BRONZE	87
Summit Estate Wines	Pinot Noir - 2024	 BRONZE	86
SquishedBerry	Pinot Noir - 2026	 BRONZE	85
Jester Hill Wines	Roland the Farter Shiraz (Chilled Red) - 2025	 BRONZE	85
Banca Ridge Wines	Tinta Cao - 2024		80

CLASS

09

Cabernet et al

Cabernet, Merlot, Malbec, Petit Verdot & dominant blends

Red · 10 wines · 6 medalled · 0 gold or better

“Some good cool climate expressions with nice oak with the Malbec showing the most consistency.”

ANDREW SANTAROSSA · CHAIR OF JUDGES

HIGHEST AWARD · SILVER



Malbec – 2024

Golden Grove Estate

93

PRODUCER	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
Golden Grove Estate	Malbec - 2024	 SILVER	93
Ballandean Estate Wines	Novello Cabernet Franc - 2026	 SILVER	90
Summit Estate Wines	Malbec - 2024	 SILVER	90
Sirromet Wines	The Edward Cabernet Sauvignon Shiraz - 2023	 BRONZE	88
Ballandean Estate Wines	Malbec - 2024	 BRONZE	86
Ridgemill Estate	Musho's Merlot - 2024	 BRONZE	85
Jester Hill Wines	Jane Foole Cabernet Merlot - 2019		84
View Wine	Merlot - 2024		84
Jester Hill Wines	Trinculo Cabernet Merlot - 2021		83
Symphony Hill Wines	Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon - 2024		83

CLASS
10 **Shiraz**
& dominant blends

Red · 19 wines · 16 medalled · 2 gold or better

“Great conversation over styles with some more polarising than others. In general well made with two gold showing different vintages and style.”

ANDREW SANTAROSSA · CHAIR OF JUDGES



TOP GOLD

Old Vine Shiraz – 2023

Golden Grove Estate

96

PRODUCER	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
Golden Grove Estate	Old Vine Shiraz - 2023	 TOP GOLD	96
Hidden Creek	Syrah Viognier - 2024	 GOLD	95
Hidden Creek	Mira Syrah - 2025	 SILVER	93
rokkwell	Shiraz - 2024	 SILVER	92
Dear Vincent Wines	Wine Smile Shiraz - 2024	 SILVER	91
Ballandean Estate Wines	Shiraz Durif - 2024	 SILVER	91
O'Reillys Canungra Valley Vineyards	Shane Shiraz - 2024	 BRONZE	89
Jester Hill Wines	Touchstone Shiraz - 2018	 BRONZE	88
Ballandean Estate Wines	Unwooded Shiraz - 2026	 BRONZE	88
Ballandean Estate Wines	Shiraz Viognier - 2024	 BRONZE	88
Symphony Hill Wines	2 Brothers Shiraz Cabernet Sauvignon - 2024	 BRONZE	88
View Wine	Shiraz - 2024	 BRONZE	87
Sirromet Wines	Signature Shiraz Viognier - 2024	 BRONZE	87
Hidden Creek	Syrah Viognier - 2025	 BRONZE	87
Hidden Creek	Syrah - 2025	 BRONZE	86
Ridgemill Estate	The Lincoln Shiraz - 2024	 BRONZE	85
Jester Hill Wines	Shiraz Roussanne - 2021		84
Riversands Wines	Western Rivers Run Shiraz - 2024		83
Ridgemill Estate	Joshua's Pup Shiraz Grenache - 2024		82

CLASS

11

Italian Reds

Italian red varieties & dominant blends

Red · 7 wines · 6 medalled · 3 gold or better

“The highest quality class you can judge – iconic. An absolute pleasure for the judging panel.”

ANDREW SANTAROSSA · CHAIR OF JUDGES



TOP GOLD

Barbera – 2025

Golden Grove Estate

96

PRODUCER	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
Golden Grove Estate	Barbera - 2025	 TOP GOLD	96
Dear Vincent Wines	Nebbiolo - 2024	 GOLD	95
rokkwell	Nero d'Avola - 2025	 GOLD	95
Sirromet Wines	granit Lagrein - 2025	 SILVER	93
Golden Grove Estate	Sangiovese - 2025	 SILVER	93
Golden Grove Estate	Nero d'Avola - 2025	 SILVER	90
Jester Hill Wines	Two Fools Sangiovese - 2024		80

CLASS

12

Open Reds

Open dry red varieties & blends

Red · 16 wines · 13 medalled · 4 gold or better

“A joy to judge. Fantastic bracket of Saperavi.
Well done.”

ANDREW SANTAROSSA · CHAIR OF JUDGES



TOP GOLD

Saperavi – 2025

Ballandean Estate Wines

96

PRODUCER	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
Ballandean Estate Wines	Saperavi - 2025	 TOP GOLD	96
Ridgemill Estate	WYP Saperavi - 2024	 GOLD	95
Riversands Wines	Bold Shepherd Saperavi - 2024	 GOLD	95
Hidden Creek	Crianza Tempranillo - 2024	 GOLD	95
Ridgemill Estate	Graciano - 2024	 SILVER	91
Hidden Creek	Joven Tempranillo - 2025	 SILVER	91
Golden Grove Estate	Joven Tempranillo - 2025	 SILVER	91
Golden Grove Estate	Grenache - 2025	 SILVER	90
Summit Estate Wines	Monastrell - 2024	 SILVER	90
Ridgemill Estate	The Spaniard Tempranillo - 2024	 SILVER	90
Hidden Creek	Joven Tempranillo - 2024	 BRONZE	87
Savina Lane Wines	Wild Fandango Tempranillo - 2023	 BRONZE	86
Symphony Hill Wines	Reserve Pinot Noir - 2025	 BRONZE	85
Summit Estate Wines	Tempranillo - 2024		83
Clovely Estate	Monastrell - 2023		82
Jester Hill Wines	Triboulet Shiraz Petit Verdot - 2017		82

Sweet Wines

Class 13 · All styles

Class 14 · Any variety, any vintage

Sweet · 7 wines · 5 medalled · 0 gold or better

“Pretty and attractive well made silver and bronze medals.”

ANDREW SANTAROSSA · CHAIR OF JUDGES



HIGHEST AWARD · SILVER

Sweet Bitch Verdelho – 2025

Ridgemill Estate

90

Class 13 · Sweet Wines

All styles

PRODUCER	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
Ridgemill Estate	Sweet Bitch Verdelho - 2025	 SILVER	90
Ballandean Estate Wines	White Pearl White Muscat Semillon - 2026	 SILVER	90
Riversands Wines	Major Mitchell White Muscat - 2025	 BRONZE	88
Ballandean Estate Wines	Summertime Shiraz Black Muscat - 2026	 BRONZE	86
Jester Hill Wines	Gold Roussanne - 2025		83
Jester Hill Wines	Joker's Blush Merlot - 2025		79

Class 14 · Dessert Wine

Any variety, any vintage

Sirromet Wines	Late Harvest Pinot Grigio Verdelho - 2025	 BRONZE	87
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CLASS

15

Fortified Wines

All styles

Fortified · 8 wines · 7 medalled · 2 gold or better

“A small enjoyable class with two great wines.”

ANDREW SANTAROSSA · CHAIR OF JUDGES



TOP GOLD

Clyde Tawny – NV

Sirromet Wines

96

PRODUCER	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
Sirromet Wines	Clyde Tawny – NV	 TOP GOLD	96
Ballandean Estate Wines	Fortified Saperavi – 2025	 GOLD	95
Riversands Wines	Black Magic Vintage Fortified – 2023	 SILVER	90
Hidden Creek	Tawny – NV	 SILVER	90
Riversands Wines	Golden Liqueur Muscat – NV	 BRONZE	89
Ballandean Estate Wines	Fortified Shiraz – 2025	 BRONZE	88
Ballandean Estate Wines	Fine Old Tawny – NV	 BRONZE	86
Banca Ridge Wines	Rare Tawny – NV		82

QUEENSLAND WINE AWARDS 2026

Wine of Provenance

AWARDED TO

Hidden Creek
Viognier – 2021 · 2024 · 2025

6 sets of three vintages · one winner

THE AWARD

A supplementary challenge, not a class. Three vintages of the same wine are entered as a set. The bracket is unscored and decided by deliberation of the judging panel; the winning set is named Wine of Provenance.

PRODUCER	WINE	RESULT
Hidden Creek	Viognier - 2021 · 2024 · 2025	
Jester Hill Wines	Roussanne - 2016 · 2022 · 2024	
Jester Hill Wines	Shiraz - 2012 · 2016 · 2018	
Hidden Creek	Syrah - 2023 · 2024 · 2025	
Hidden Creek	Syrah Viognier - 2023 · 2024 · 2025	
Hidden Creek	Tempranillo - 2023 · 2024 · 2025	

EXHIBITORS

Results by Exhibitor

18 producers entered 141 wines for blind assessment; the show exists because they did. Every exhibitor has a spread in the pages that follow, with every wine they entered.

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Scenic Rim	1
Western Queensland	1
Greater Brisbane	1

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Hidden Creek	Granite Belt		68
Jester Hill Wines	Granite Belt		70
O'Reillys Canungra Valley Vineyards	Scenic Rim		72
Ridgemill Estate	Granite Belt		74
Riversands Wines	Western Queensland		76
rokkwell	Granite Belt		78
Savina Lane Wines	Granite Belt		80
Sirromet Wines	Greater Brisbane		82
SquishedBerry	Granite Belt		84
Summit Estate Wines	Granite Belt		86
Symphony Hill Wines	Granite Belt		88
Twisted Gum Wines	Granite Belt		90
View Wine	Granite Belt		92

Ballandean Estate Wines

Top 6 of 16 medals



Saperavi - 2025

Class 12 · Open Reds

TOP GOLD

96



Fortified Saperavi - 2025

Class 15 · Fortified Wines

GOLD

95



Fiano - 2026

Class 05 · Italian Whites

SILVER

92



Semillon Sauvignon Blanc - 2026

Class 03 · Semillon, Sauvignon Blanc

SILVER

91



Malvasia - 2026

Class 05 · Italian Whites

SILVER

91



Viognier - 2026

Class 06 · Open Whites

SILVER

91

and 10 more, see the full results

CLASS	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
12	Saperavi – 2025	 TOP GOLD	96
15	Fortified Saperavi – 2025	 GOLD	95
05	Fiano – 2026	 SILVER	92
03	Semillon Sauvignon Blanc – 2026	 SILVER	91
05	Malvasia – 2026	 SILVER	91
06	Viognier – 2026	 SILVER	91
10	Shiraz Durif – 2024	 SILVER	91
09	Novello Cabernet Franc – 2026	 SILVER	90
13	White Pearl White Muscat Semillon – 2026	 SILVER	90
10	Unwooded Shiraz – 2026	 BRONZE	88
10	Shiraz Viognier – 2024	 BRONZE	88
15	Fortified Shiraz – 2025	 BRONZE	88
07	Rosé Shiraz Black Muscat – 2026	 BRONZE	87
09	Malbec – 2024	 BRONZE	86
13	Summertime Shiraz Black Muscat – 2026	 BRONZE	86
15	Fine Old Tawny – NV	 BRONZE	86

Banca Ridge Wines

3 medals

	Verdejo - 2026 Class 06 · Open Whites	SILVER	90
	Fiano - 2025 Class 05 · Italian Whites	BRONZE	88
	Albariño - 2026 Class 06 · Open Whites	BRONZE	88

QUEENSLAND WINE AWARDS 2026

5 wines · 3 medalled · 61

CLASS	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
06	Verdejo - 2026	 SILVER	90
05	Fiano - 2025	 BRONZE	88
06	Albariño - 2026	 BRONZE	88
15	Rare Tawny - NV		82
08	Tinta Cao - 2024		80

Clovely Estate

1 medal



Semillon - 2021

Class 03 - Semillon, Sauvignon Blanc

TOP GOLD

95

CLASS	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
03	Semillon - 2021	 TOP GOLD	95
07	Rosé Nebbiolo - 2025		83
12	Monastrell - 2023		82

Dear Vincent Wines

6 medals

	Nebbiolo - 2024 Class 11 · Italian Reds	GOLD	95
	Chardonnay - 2025 Class 04 · Chardonnay	SILVER	93
	Wine Smile Shiraz - 2024 Class 10 · Shiraz	SILVER	91
	Pinot Gris (Skin Contact) - 2025 Class 06 · Open Whites	SILVER	90
	Pet Nat Pinot Gris, Viognier, Verdelho, Chardonnay - 2025 Class 01 · Sparkling Wines	BRONZE	87
	Viognier - 2024 Class 06 · Open Whites	BRONZE	86

QUEENSLAND WINE AWARDS 2026

6 wines · 6 medalled · 65

CLASS	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
11	Nebbiolo - 2024	 GOLD	95
04	Chardonnay - 2025	 SILVER	93
10	Wine Smile Shiraz - 2024	 SILVER	91
06	Pinot Gris (Skin Contact) - 2025	 SILVER	90
01	Pet Nat Pinot Gris, Viognier, Verdelho, Chardonnay - 2025	 BRONZE	87
06	Viognier - 2024	 BRONZE	86

Golden Grove Estate

Top 6 of 10 medals

	Old Vine Shiraz - 2023 Class 10 · Shiraz	TOP GOLD	96
	Barbera - 2025 Class 11 · Italian Reds	TOP GOLD	96
	Chardonnay - 2025 Class 04 · Chardonnay	GOLD	95
	Malbec - 2024 Class 09 · Cabernet et al	SILVER	93
	Sangiovese - 2025 Class 11 · Italian Reds	SILVER	93
	Vermentino - 2026 Class 05 · Italian Whites	SILVER	91

and 4 more, see the full results

CLASS	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
10	Old Vine Shiraz - 2023	 TOP GOLD	96
11	Barbera - 2025	 TOP GOLD	96
04	Chardonnay - 2025	 GOLD	95
09	Malbec - 2024	 SILVER	93
11	Sangiovese - 2025	 SILVER	93
05	Vermentino - 2026	 SILVER	91
07	Rosé Brosé Shiraz, Grenache, Sangiovese, Vermentino - 2026	 SILVER	91
12	Joven Tempranillo - 2025	 SILVER	91
11	Nero d'Avola - 2025	 SILVER	90
12	Grenache - 2025	 SILVER	90

Hidden Creek

Top 6 of 13 medals

	Viognier - 2021 · 2024 · 2025 Wine of Provenance · three vintages	TOP GOLD	
	Syrah Viognier - 2024 Class 10 · Shiraz	GOLD	95
	Crianza Tempranillo - 2024 Class 12 · Open Reds	GOLD	95
	Mira Syrah - 2025 Class 10 · Shiraz	SILVER	93
	Joven Tempranillo - 2025 Class 12 · Open Reds	SILVER	91
	Marsanne Viognier - 2024 Class 06 · Open Whites	SILVER	90

and 7 more, see the full results

CLASS	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
PROV	Viognier - 2021 · 2024 · 2025	 TOP GOLD	
10	Syrah Viognier - 2024	 GOLD	95
12	Crianza Tempranillo - 2024	 GOLD	95
10	Mira Syrah - 2025	 SILVER	93
12	Joven Tempranillo - 2025	 SILVER	91
06	Marsanne Viognier - 2024	 SILVER	90
06	Viognier Marsanne Roussanne - 2026	 SILVER	90
15	Tawny - NV	 SILVER	90
06	Marsanne - 2026	 BRONZE	87
10	Syrah Viognier - 2025	 BRONZE	87
12	Joven Tempranillo - 2024	 BRONZE	87
10	Syrah - 2025	 BRONZE	86
04	Chardonnay - 2025	 BRONZE	85
06	Viognier - 2025		83
06	Viognier Marsanne Roussanne - 2025		83
PROV	Syrah - 2023 · 2024 · 2025		
PROV	Syrah Viognier - 2023 · 2024 · 2025		
PROV	Tempranillo - 2023 · 2024 · 2025		

Jester Hill Wines

5 medals

	The Phoenix Roussanne - NV Class 01 · Sparkling Wines	BRONZE	88
	Touchstone Shiraz - 2018 Class 10 · Shiraz	BRONZE	88
	Touchstone Roussanne - 2024 Class 06 · Open Whites	BRONZE	87
	Touchstone Verdelho - 2025 Class 02 · Verdelho	BRONZE	86
	Roland the Farter Shiraz (Chilled Red) - 2025 Class 08 · Light Reds	BRONZE	85

CLASS	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
01	The Phoenix Roussanne – NV	 BRONZE	88
10	Touchstone Shiraz – 2018	 BRONZE	88
06	Touchstone Roussanne – 2024	 BRONZE	87
02	Touchstone Verdelho – 2025	 BRONZE	86
08	Roland the Farter Shiraz (Chilled Red) – 2025	 BRONZE	85
07	Blush n Blunder Sangiovese Shiraz – 2026		84
09	Jane Foole Cabernet Merlot – 2019		84
10	Shiraz Roussanne – 2021		84
04	Touchstone Chardonnay – 2024		83
04	Touchstone Chardonnay – 2023		83
06	Touchstone Roussanne – 2025		83
09	Trinculo Cabernet Merlot – 2021		83
13	Gold Roussanne – 2025		83
12	Triboulet Shiraz Petit Verdot – 2017		82
03	Touchstone Sauvignon Blanc – 2026		81
11	Two Fools Sangiovese – 2024		80
13	Joker's Blush Merlot – 2025		79
PROV	Roussanne – 2016 · 2022 · 2024		
PROV	Shiraz – 2012 · 2016 · 2018		

O'Reillys Canungra Valley Vineyards

2 medals

	Vince Viognier Marsanne - 2025 Class 06 · Open Whites	SILVER	90
	Shane Shiraz - 2024 Class 10 · Shiraz	BRONZE	89

CLASS	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
06	Vince Viognier Marsanne - 2025	 SILVER	90
10	Shane Shiraz - 2024	 BRONZE	89
01	100 year Celebration Grüner Veltliner Marsanne - 2022		83

Ridgemill Estate

Top 6 of 13 medals

	Pressing Verdelho Pinot Grigio Riesling Semillon (Textural) – 2023 Class 06 · Open Whites	GOLD	95
	WYP Saperavi – 2024 Class 12 · Open Reds	GOLD	95
	WYP Chardonnay – 2025 Class 04 · Chardonnay	SILVER	91
	Pinot Grigio – 2026 Class 05 · Italian Whites	SILVER	91
	Graciano – 2024 Class 12 · Open Reds	SILVER	91
	Snigley's Tempranillo Mencia – 2026 Class 07 · Rosé	SILVER	90

and 7 more, see the full results

CLASS	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
06	Pressing Verdelho Pinot Grigio Riesling Semillon (Textural) – 2023	 GOLD	95
12	WYP Saperavi – 2024	 GOLD	95
04	WYP Chardonnay – 2025	 SILVER	91
05	Pinot Grigio – 2026	 SILVER	91
12	Graciano – 2024	 SILVER	91
07	Snigley's Tempranillo Mencia – 2026	 SILVER	90
12	The Spaniard Tempranillo – 2024	 SILVER	90
13	Sweet Bitch Verdelho – 2025	 SILVER	90
01	Ellie Methode Traditional Chardonnay – 2023	 BRONZE	87
08	Mencia – 2024	 BRONZE	87
02	Verdelho – 2026	 BRONZE	86
09	Musho's Merlot – 2024	 BRONZE	85
10	The Lincoln Shiraz – 2024	 BRONZE	85
06	WYP Riesling (Textural) – 2024		84
06	Riesling – 2026		83
03	Fume Blanc Sauvignon Blanc – 2023		82
10	Joshua's Pup Shiraz Grenache – 2024		82

Riversands Wines

Top 6 of 9 medals

	Anchorage Chardonnay - 2025 Class 04 · Chardonnay	TOP GOLD	96
	Sunset Vermentino - 2026 Class 05 · Italian Whites	GOLD	95
	Bold Shepherd Saperavi - 2024 Class 12 · Open Reds	GOLD	95
	Let's Dance Chardonnay - 2025 Class 01 · Sparkling Wines	SILVER	92
	Music in the Mulga Shiraz - 2024 Class 01 · Sparkling Wines	SILVER	90
	Black Magic Vintage Fortified - 2023 Class 15 · Fortified Wines	SILVER	90

and 3 more, see the full results

CLASS	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
04	Anchorage Chardonnay - 2025	 TOP GOLD	96
05	Sunset Vermentino - 2026	 GOLD	95
12	Bold Shepherd Saperavi - 2024	 GOLD	95
01	Let's Dance Chardonnay - 2025	 SILVER	92
01	Music in the Mulga Shiraz - 2024	 SILVER	90
15	Black Magic Vintage Fortified - 2023	 SILVER	90
15	Golden Liqueur Muscat - NV	 BRONZE	89
13	Major Mitchell White Muscat - 2025	 BRONZE	88
03	Beardmore's Dry Sauvignon Blanc - 2026	 BRONZE	87
07	Country Heart Rosé - 2026		83
10	Western Rivers Run Shiraz - 2024		83

rokkwell

3 medals



Garganega - 2026

Class 05 - Italian Whites

TOP GOLD

96



Nero d'Avola - 2025

Class 11 - Italian Reds

GOLD

95



Shiraz - 2024

Class 10 - Shiraz

SILVER

92

CLASS	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
05	Garganega - 2026	 TOP GOLD	96
11	Nero d'Avola - 2025	 GOLD	95
10	Shiraz - 2024	 SILVER	92
03	Fumé Blanc Sauvignon Blanc - 2024		84

Savina Lane Wines

2 medals

	Reminiscence Viognier - 2025 Class 06 · Open Whites	SILVER	90
	Wild Fandango Tempranillo - 2023 Class 12 · Open Reds	BRONZE	86

CLASS	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
06	Reminiscence Viognier - 2025	 SILVER	90
12	Wild Fandango Tempranillo - 2023	 BRONZE	86

Sirromet Wines

Top 6 of 10 medals

	Clyde Tawny – NV Class 15 · Fortified Wines	TOP GOLD	96
	Nadine Blanc de Blancs Chardonnay – 2022 Class 01 · Sparkling Wines	TOP GOLD	95
	granit Lagrein – 2025 Class 11 · Italian Reds	SILVER	93
	XXV Vermentino Chardonnay Fiano – 2025 Class 06 · Open Whites	BRONZE	88
	The Edward Cabernet Sauvignon Shiraz – 2023 Class 09 · Cabernet et al	BRONZE	88
	granit Vermentino – 2025 Class 05 · Italian Whites	BRONZE	87

and 4 more, see the full results

CLASS	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
15	Clyde Tawny - NV	 TOP GOLD	96
01	Nadine Blanc de Blancs Chardonnay - 2022	 TOP GOLD	95
11	granit Lagrein - 2025	 SILVER	93
06	XXV Vermentino Chardonnay Fiano - 2025	 BRONZE	88
09	The Edward Cabernet Sauvignon Shiraz - 2023	 BRONZE	88
05	granit Vermentino - 2025	 BRONZE	87
10	Signature Shiraz Viognier - 2024	 BRONZE	87
14	Late Harvest Pinot Grigio Verdelho - 2025	 BRONZE	87
04	Signature Chardonnay - 2024	 BRONZE	86
05	granit Fiano - 2025	 BRONZE	86

SquishedBerry

1 medal



Pinot Noir - 2026

Class 08 - Light Reds

BRONZE

85

CLASS	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
08	Pinot Noir – 2026	 BRONZE	85

Summit Estate Wines

4 medals

	Malbec - 2024 Class 09 · Cabernet et al	SILVER	90
	Monastrell - 2024 Class 12 · Open Reds	SILVER	90
	Marsanne - 2026 Class 06 · Open Whites	BRONZE	86
	Pinot Noir - 2024 Class 08 · Light Reds	BRONZE	86

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6 wines · 4 medalled · 87

CLASS	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
09	Malbec - 2024	 SILVER	90
12	Monastrell - 2024	 SILVER	90
06	Marsanne - 2026	 BRONZE	86
08	Pinot Noir - 2024	 BRONZE	86
04	Chardonnay - 2024		84
12	Tempranillo - 2024		83

Symphony Hill Wines

5 medals

	Albariño - 2025 Class 06 · Open Whites	TOP GOLD	96
	Reserve Verdelho - 2025 Class 02 · Verdelho	TOP GOLD	95
	Wild Child Viognier - 2025 Class 06 · Open Whites	SILVER	93
	2 Brothers Shiraz Cabernet Sauvignon - 2024 Class 10 · Shiraz	BRONZE	88
	Reserve Pinot Noir - 2025 Class 12 · Open Reds	BRONZE	85

CLASS	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
06	Albariño - 2025	 TOP GOLD	96
02	Reserve Verdelho - 2025	 TOP GOLD	95
06	Wild Child Viognier - 2025	 SILVER	93
10	2 Brothers Shiraz Cabernet Sauvignon - 2024	 BRONZE	88
12	Reserve Pinot Noir - 2025	 BRONZE	85
09	Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon - 2024		83

Twisted Gum Wines

1 medal

	Verdelho Semillon - 2025	SILVER	90
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Class 02 - Verdelho

CLASS	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
02	Verdelho Semillon - 2025	 SILVER	90

View Wine

1 medal



Shiraz - 2024

Class 10 - Shiraz

BRONZE

87

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3 wines · 1 medalled · 93

CLASS	WINE	AWARD	SCORE
10	Shiraz - 2024	 BRONZE	87
09	Merlot - 2024		84
07	Rosé Merlot - 2026		82

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