



# Media Alert

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## *Love a good drop...?* ...then you'll love the Royal Queensland Wine Show judging and Gala Awards Dinner

What will be awarded the nation's best wine in this year's Royal Queensland Wine Show?

Be the first to find out while tasting some of Australia's 2012 vintages at the **Royal Queensland Wine Show (RQWS) *Black Tie Gala Awards Dinner*** supported by Cooper Grace Ward lawyers.

This ticketed event is a highlight on the wine industry calendar and a guaranteed highlight for your palate; and will be held at the new multi-million dollar Royal International Convention Centre at the Brisbane Showgrounds on 5 July 2013.

If you're a wine and food buff, this is your opportunity to compare notes with the winemakers, the viticulturalists, wine judges and food personalities, while enjoying a four course menu using Gold Medal products from the Royal Queensland Food and Wine Show competitions paired with Gold Medal 2012 RQWS vintages.

The Gala Awards Dinner follows five days of rigorous tasting and judging of more than 2,000 wine entries by the RQWS judging panel. The RQWS 2013 awards will be announced during the dinner.

The RQWS will also introduce a new panel of judges this year under the guidance of Chief Judge PJ Charteris (Charteris Wines) including: Panel Chairs - Jim Chatto (Pepper Tree Wines), Dave Bicknell (Oakridge), Samantha Connew (Tower Estate) and Adam Wadewitz (Shaw Smith); and Judges - Nick Ryan, Dave Brookes, Kim Bickley, Sarah Crowe, Ian Hongell, Gwyn Olsen (McWilliams), Tony Harper and Jane Skilton.

- What:** Royal Queensland Wine Show Gala Awards Dinner  
**When:** Friday 5 July 2013  
**Time:** 6.30pm for 7pm start  
**Where:** Royal International Convention Centre, 600 Gregory Terrace, Bowen Hills, Queensland 4006  
**Dress:** Black tie  
**Tickets:** \$170pp. or \$1,600 per table of 10  
**RSVP:** Friday 21 June 2013  
[Click here to book and pay for your table now](#)  
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