



Wine-lovers Head to Noosa in May

Australia's best wines and winemakers headline at the **Noosa International Food & Wine Festival** from May 17 to 20. Whether you're a wine tragic, amateur tippler or serious wine connoisseur, there's something to delight your palate and passion.

Joining the impressive lineup of internationally applauded chefs is Master of Wine **Lisa Perotti-Brown**, recognised authority on Australian wines and contributor to Robert Parker's prestigious global online newsletter. Lisa will preside over premium old world and selected Australian wines matched to seven degustation courses at the Qantas *Best Dinner in the World*. Lisa will also join **Mike Bennie, Greg Duncan Powell, Peter Forrestal, Ken Gargett** and **Tony Love** at the *Australian Wine on the World Stage* event, where guests are invited to taste wines and join in the discussion.

This year the *Village Wine Marquee* serves as a communal talking spot for Australia's best wine maestros who will share their extensive wine knowledge each day.

Sample wines professionally matched to the various quintessential Australian and global Festival food experiences such as the Asian, Seafood and Hinterland Food Trails; the French provincial and rustic Italian picnics- and many more of the special dinners and Festival events.

Aaron Brasher, Andrew Fleming and **Peter Forrestal** explore six of the greatest Australian chardonnays at the *Wine Australia Landmark Chardonnay Master Class* while **Mike Bennie** and **Jane Ferrari** get in on the *Wine Australia Cabernet Sauvignon Master Class* action.

The Festival also welcomes champagne experts **Bernadette O'Shea** and **Julien Marteau** from G.H. MUMM with some exciting champagne tastings of both vintage and non vintage champagnes. Over fifty wine kiosks will also serve up tastings throughout each day of the four day Festival. Add another two hundred food and wine personalities, media and producers plus big name entertainers and expect one fantastic Festival celebrating the best in food, wine and fun.

Stay up to date with all the Festival news, highlights and pics at www.facebook.com/NoosaFoodWineFestival

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General Admission Tickets are \$65 (adult) or \$20 (child under 13) which covers general admission to the Welcome Party & Concert on Friday and general admission on Saturday and Sunday to Lion's Park, The Grand Marquee, Celebrity Chef Cooking Demonstrations, The Courier Mail Life Annexe and live entertainment. General Admission also includes two tickets for food or wine. The best way to experience the Festival is with a Weekend Gold Pass which costs \$315 and includes VIP Admission for Friday's Welcome Cocktail Party, Saturday and Sunday with entry to hospitality pavilions and preferential concert seating.

Purchase your tickets before April 1, 2012 and receive a 10% discount (offer excludes tickets for Guest Chefs at Sunshine Coast Restaurants and Qantas *Best Dinner in the World*).

For online ticket bookings go to www.noosafoodandwine.com.au or call (07) 5455 4455 for further information.

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