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Judging underway to uncork Australia's finest wines

The Royal Queensland Wine Show (RQWS) is underway at the Brisbane Showgrounds, with more than 2000 Australian wines being sniffed, swirled and tasted by a panel of expert judges in a bid to be crowned the nation's best.

This year the RQWS welcomes American judge, Chuck Hayward, who will be joining the 30 strong judging panel for the first time to unearth Australia's top drops.

Mr Hayward, who has been described as one of America's foremost Australian wine experts, believes that Australian wines are among the finest in the world.

Chief Judge and award-winning winemaker PJ Charteris will oversee the judging panel as they taste their way through 2186 entries from some of Australia's top wine regions.

The RQWS is the first to judge the 2015 vintage in Australia with the judging panel made up of technical and style judges, all with contemporary understanding demanded by the modern wine show system.

This RQWS has a long history in Queensland, dating back to 1876 when the first Royal Queensland Show was held and it continues to grow year after year.

In 2014 there was an increase of almost 20 per cent in entry numbers with judges tasting 2076 wines from some of Australia's top wineries.

The RQWS endeavours to give Australian wineries exposure and helps promote the nation's diverse growing regions, passionate winemakers and their outstanding wines.

The public have a rare opportunity to taste these award-winning wines at the new Grape Grazing by Night – celebrating Australian wine event. Tickets are available now www.rqfws.com.au

For the RQWS fact sheet and more information on the judging panel [click here](#)

WHAT: Royal Queensland Wine Show Judging

WHEN: Monday, June 22 – Thursday, June 25

WHERE: The Exhibition Building, Brisbane Showgrounds - 600 Gregory Terrace, Bowen Hills 4006

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