

## SA Regional Workshops Best Practice Winegrape Assessment at the Vineyard and at the Winery

**Date: 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022**  
**9am to 12pm**

South Australian winegrape growers selling fruit to wineries have long been calling for better transparency around quality assessment that impacts upon their businesses.

This workshop is one of a series of workshops across South Australia aimed at promoting the updated best practice guide *Winegrape Assessment in the Vineyard and at the Winery* as well as introducing new Industry Endorsed Standard Procedures for a number of winegrape assessment criteria. These procedures are a minimum standard requirement of Signatories to the Australian Code of Conduct for Winegrape Purchases and are recommended for any winegrape assessment made for the purpose of affecting grape payment.

The workshops are part of a larger project aimed at improving transparency around the assessment of winegrape specifications or assessing damage to grapes as a result of pests or diseases or seasonal events including bushfires.

Participants at the workshops will receive a printed copy of the new version *Winegrape Assessment in the Vineyard and at the Winery* when it is released.

**Who should attend:** The workshops are targeted to vineyard owners, grower liaison officers and winemakers who are responsible for vineyard and grape quality related assessment.

### The Program:

<b>9.00</b> <b>Introduction</b> Anna Hooper
<b>9.20</b> <b>Obtaining an accurate vineyard sample</b> Eric Wilkes
<b>9.50</b> <b>Pest and Disease Assessment</b> Eric Wilkes
<b>10.15</b> <b>The Grape Supply Agreement</b> Anna Hooper
<b>10.30</b> <b>Sampling from loads</b> Eric Wilkes
<b>10.40</b> <b>MOG assessment</b> Eric Wilkes
<b>11.00</b> <b>Analytical methods and secondary methods</b> Eric Wilkes
<b>11.30</b> <b>Building a successful relationship</b> Anna Hooper

We would like to thank the South Australian Government for their generous funding contribution under the SA Wine Industry Development Grant scheme, along with the co-contributions of Australian Grape and Wine and AWRI. Through seeking to improve best practice in how quality assessments are made, we hope to provide greater confidence to growers that their efforts will receive due reward and due the likelihood that sound fruit is erroneously rejected for fear of making unsaleable wine.



Australian Grape and Wine is the national association of winegrape and wine producers providing leadership, strategy and advocacy support to the sector. Australian

Grape and Wine's voluntary membership represents over 75% of the national winegrape crush including small, medium and large winemakers and winegrape growers from across the country. Among its many activities fostering prosperity and sustainability within the wine sector, Australian Grape and Wine is responsible for development and maintenance of the voluntary Code of Conduct for Australian Winegrape Purchases, setting the foundations for building relationships between growers and winemakers that are fair, equitable and mutually beneficial. The association was recently successful in obtaining this SA Wine Industry Development Scheme grant aimed at promoting best practice in wine grape assessment to South Australian winemakers and grape growers.



The Australian Wine Research Institute

The Australian Wine Research Institute (AWRI) is the Australian grape and wine industry's own research organisation. It supports a sustainable and successful grape and wine industry through world class research, practical solutions and knowledge transfer. AWRI was engaged by Australian Grape and Wine to assist with the delivery of these workshops along with several other projects relating to improving the transparency surrounding winegrape assessment practices.