

## LIMESTONE COAST SUSTAINABILITY WORKSHOP #1

Both in Australia and internationally, there is a growing focus on sustainable grape and wine production. This is increasing interest in sustainability credentials for vineyards and wineries, as well as new production techniques. This workshop will present a range of drivers for sustainable production and demonstrate the tools and resources available through Sustainable Winegrowing Australia to support adoption of sustainable practices. Two case studies will demonstrate the efficiencies and economic gains being achieved from more sustainable practices.

Time: 9am – 12.30pm

Date: Tuesday 8 Nov, 2022

Venue: Struan

Time	Agenda	Presenter
9:00am	Introductions	
	Sustainability – global insights	Mardi Longbottom
	Sustainability in action across Australia	Special guest
10:30am	Break	
	Limestone Coast performance and targets	Mardi Longbottom
	Sustainability case studies	Chris Brodie & Mardi
	Sustainable Winegrowing Australia – Limestone Coast next steps	Mardi Longbottom
	Q&A	
12:30pm	close	



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Presenter Bios



**Mardi Longbottom, Manager Sustainability and Viticulture, AWRI**

Mardi began her career in the wine industry in the early 1990s helping to establish her family's vineyards in Padthaway, South Australia. Shortly afterwards she gained her viticultural degree and held technical and vineyard management positions across numerous Australian wine regions. Mardi returned to the University of Adelaide in 2002 where she completed a Masters and PhD in Viticulture and was a Lecturer in Viticulture. For the past ten years, Mardi has focused on research and extension of wine industry sustainability projects including regional climate risk analyses, benchmarking greenhouse gas emissions from vineyards and the management of corporate water assets. She now manages the Australian wine industry's sustainability program, Sustainable Winegrowing Australia. Mardi is a graduate of the SA Governor's Leadership Foundation Program, and a former director of Australian Grape and Wine Inc and the Australian Society of Viticulture and Oenology.



**Chris Brodie, Sustainability Specialist, AWRI**

Chris was born and grew up on a sheep and cattle farm in New Zealand and his studies in horticulture led him to working in kiwifruit, avocados, asparagus and apples. In 1997, Chris moved to Australia with his wife Janet to take up a horticulturist position with Wingara Wine Group looking after wine-grapes, citrus and avocados. In 2000, Chris moved to manage the Katnook Estate vineyards in Coonawarra where he was responsible for vineyard and orchard management, and the implementation of quality, safety and environmental systems. Chris has held numerous industry roles including as member of the Coonawarra Grapegrowers Association, CRCV industry reference group, AWRI agrochemical reference group, Limestone Coast water allocation review industry reference group, ARC innovative wine production reference group and as an ASVO director. He also contributed to the development of the Coonawarra Environment management plan. Since retiring from Katnook Estate in 2021, Chris is enjoying his role as a councillor with the Wattle Range Council, volunteering with the Penola National Trust, spending time in his garden, blacksmithing and metal work.

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