



MEDIA RELEASE

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QUEENSLAND WINES TO RECEIVE TOP BILLING AT INDUSTRY AWARDS EVENT

Queensland restaurants that excel in the provision of local wines will be formally recognised as part of the 2018 Royal Queensland Wine Show (RQWS) Awards to be held this Friday 13 July 2018.

Restaurant & Catering Australia (R&CA) CEO Juliana Payne said working with the RQWS is a great opportunity to showcase the best of what the Australian wine industry has to offer whilst at the same time acknowledging the winners of the R&CA QLD Wine List Awards.

“The R&CA Queensland Wine List Awards is now in its third year and we are delighted to again be partnering with RQWS to recognise restaurants that excel in wine list development.

“The importance of showcasing Australian wines on restaurant menus can be demonstrated by R&CA’s 2018 Industry Benchmarking Report which showed that nearly 60 per cent of businesses believed that this is very important.

“What’s more is that over one third of businesses surveyed identified the ability to source wine from their local region as the biggest contributing factor in determining whether they featured Australian wines on their menu,” Ms Payne said.

The RQWS Awards & R&CA QLD Wine List Awards will be announced at 9.30am in the Upper Exhibition Building of Brisbane Showgrounds on Friday 13 July 2018.

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2018 Wine List Awards

R&CA Awards for Excellence

QUEENSLAND FINALISTS

RESTAURANT WINE LIST – EXTENSIVE

Blackbird Bar & Restaurant, BRISBANE
Cha Cha Char Restaurant, BRISBANE
Gambaro Seafood Restaurant, PETRIE TERRACE
Il Centro Restaurant & Bar, BRISBANE
Jellyfish Restaurant, BRISBANE
Otto Ristorante, BRISBANE
Walter's Steakhouse & Bar, BRISBANE

RESTAURANT WINE LIST – SMALL/COMPREHENSIVE

Café China Seafood Restaurant, CAIRNS
e'cco Bistro, BRISBANE
Ochre Restaurant, CAIRNS
The Peak - Spices Peak Lodge, MARYVALE

RESTAURANT/CATERER IN A LICENSED VENUE WINE LIST

Blackbird Bar & Restaurant, BRISBANE

SMALL BARS WINE LIST

The Balfour Kitchen - Spices Balfour, NEW FARM