

The New Zealand International Wine Show 2023 Schedule of Judging Classes

Dry: Considered to be dry by the entrant.

CLASS	1	CHARDONNAY
CLASS	2	SAUVIGNON BLANC PREDOMINANT AND BLENDS
CLASS	3	VIOGNIER
CLASS	4 4a 4b	RIESLING Dry Medium – up to 50 g/L residual sugar
CLASS	5 5a 5b	GEWURZTRAMINER Dry Medium – up to 50 g/L residual sugar
CLASS	6 6a 6b	OTHER AROMATICS – INCLUDES BLENDS, ALBARINO, ARNEIS, GRUNER VELTLINER, VERDELHO, CHENIN BLANC ETC Other Aromatics, including Blends - Dry Other Aromatics, including Blends - Medium – up to 50 g/L residual sugar
CLASS	7 7a 7b	PINOT GRIS Dry Medium – up to 50 g/L residual sugar
CLASS	8 8a 8b	OTHER NON-AROMATICS – INCLUDES BLENDS Dry Medium – up to 50 g/L residual sugar
CLASS	9	SWEET WINES – over 50g/L residual sugar
CLASS	10	METHODE TRADITIONELLE and CHAMPAGNE
CLASS	11 11a 11b 11c 11d	OTHER WHITE SPARKLING WINES Sparkling, Dry, includes Prosecco Sparkling, Medium or Sweet, includes Prosecco Asti/Muscat style Sparkling or Methode Traditionelle Sauvignon Blanc
CLASS	12 12a 12b 12c	ROSE CHAMPAGNE, ROSE METHODE TRADITIONELLE, ROSE SPARKLING, Sparkling, Dry Sparkling, Medium or Sweet Bottle Fermented, includes Rose Champagne
CLASS	13 13a 13b 13c 13d	RED SPARKLING, RED METHODE TRADITIONELLE Sparkling, Dry Sparkling, Medium or Sweet Bottle Fermented Dry Bottle Fermented, Medium or Sweet
CLASS	14	ROSÉ OR BLUSH

CLASS	15 15a	CABERNET SAUVIGNON PREDOMINANT AND BLENDS e.g. Cabernet/Merlot, Cabernet/Malbec. Excludes Syrah/Shiraz in any blend. Cabernet Sauvignon
	15b	Cabernet Sauvignon predominant blend
CLASS	16	MERLOT PREDOMINANT AND BLENDS e.g. Merlot/Cabernet, Merlot/Malbec. Excludes Syrah/Shiraz in any blend.
	16a 16b	Merlot Merlot predominant blend
CLASS	17	MALBEC, CABERNET FRANC OR PETIT VERDOT PREDOMINANT. Excludes Syrah/Shiraz in any blend. Includes any of these three varieties as a single variety.
CLASS	18 18a 18b 18c	SHIRAZ/SYRAH PREDOMINANT, INCLUDING BLENDS Shiraz – includes Shiraz / Viognier Syrah – includes Syrah / Viognier Shiraz/Syrah predominant blend, e.g. Shiraz/Cabernet
CLASS	19	BLENDS WITH SHIRAZ Wines that include Shiraz/Syrah in the blend but is not predominant, e.g. Cabernet/Shiraz, Cabernet/Merlot/Shiraz
CLASS	20	PINOT NOIR
CLASS	21	ITALIAN REDS, OR ITALIAN VARIETIES OR STYLES (from any country) Other than for classes above, e.g. Sangiovese, Montepulciano
CLASS	22	SPANISH REDS, OR SPANISH VARIETIES OR STYLES (from any country) Other than for classes above, e.g. Tempranillo, Garnacha, Monastrell
CLASS	23	FRENCH REDS Other than for classes above, e.g. Beaujolais, Cotes du Rhone, Chateauneuf du Pape etc.
CLASS	24	GRENACHE PREDOMINANT, INCLUDES GSM (Note: Cotes du Rhone should be in Class 23, Garnacha should be in Class 22)
CLASS	25	OTHER REDS AND VARIETAL BLENDS e.g. Pinotage, Zinfandel, Petite Sirah etc, non-varietal generic blends
CLASS	26 26a 26b 26c 26d 26e 26f 26g 26h 26i	PORTS AND PORT STYLES Portuguese Tawny Portuguese Ruby Vintage Character LBV 10 Year Old 20 Year Old 30 Year Old Vintage Non Portuguese, e.g. Australian, NZ, South African
CLASS	27 27a 27b	SHERRY AND SHERRY STYLES Spanish Non Spanish
CLASS	28	OTHER FORTIFIED OR FORTIFIED STYLES
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NOTE:

Where suppliers or agents are unsure of correct judging classes, the competition organisers will position the wines into suitable classes. If unsure on class, please contact the organisers.

Entrants will not be supplied with judging class labels.

These will be applied by the competition organisers.