



Geelong Wine eNews – Summer 2010/11

INDUSTRY NEWS

James Halliday anoints Geelong Wine as an Australian powerhouse

Geelong wine continues to impress the Australian wine scene with local wineries receiving exceptional and unprecedented accolades in the James Halliday Australian Wine Companion 2011. More than 82% of Geelong wineries reviewed gained a four plus star rating – an increase of 8% from the 2010 publication. In addition, 35% of wineries achieved the highest possible 5 star rating for "outstanding winery" – an increase of 11% from 2010.

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Gold! Gold! Gold! Geelong Wine Show above national medal standing

The 2010 Geelong Wine Show saw Geelong wine showcased as going from strength to strength. With the 12th annual wine show resulting in a higher than national average showing of gold medals, Judging Panel Chair, Huon Hooke – Australia's leading wine judge and industry commentator – commended the exceptional standard of entries submitted for this region's prestigious wine competition.

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FEATURED WINERIES



Dinny Goonan Wines

Dinny Goonan Wines is one of a handful of families pioneering grape and wine production in the Otway hinterland. Their wines have won numerous awards since the first commercial release in 2001.

[Website](#)



Oakdene Vineyards

It's celebration time again for the team at Oakdene Vineyards, after accepting the national award for Best Restaurant in a Winery, at the prestigious 2010 Savour Australia Restaurant and Catering Awards for Excellence, once again putting the focus on the Bellarine Peninsula as a top food and wine destination.

[Website](#)



Spence

Spence Wines aims to make wine of the highest possible quality. These are wines that reflect the site they are grown on. They are made in small quantities, have limited availability and are amongst the best from the region. |

[Website](#)

NEWS

- > [2010 Toast to the Coast - Cheers to the Geelong region's winemakers](#)
- > [Geelong wineries shine in the Fed Square Wine Awards 2010](#)
- > [The 2010 Vintage a bountiful, flavoursome one](#)

SUMMER EVENTS

- > [Minya by Moonlight Concert Series, Jan - April 2011](#)
- > [Wolseley Wines Summer Gig Guide](#)
- > [Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet in the vines at Leura Park Estate, Sat 12 February 2011](#)
- > [Valentine's Day Dinner at Pettavel Winery and Restaurant, Mon 14 February 2011](#)
- > **For News & Events updates, visit winegeelong.com.au**

TOAST TO THE COAST

A celebration captured in pictures

Geelong's annual Toast to the Coast festival, held Melbourne Cup weekend 30 and 31 October 2010, was a celebration of the Geelong region's outstanding wines and regional produce. Cold, rainy weather could not dampen the spirits of the thousands who came out to enjoy the festival. Every venue was buzzing! The event was held across Geelong's three wine sub regions: The Bellarine, the Surf Coast and the Moorabool Valley, with 30 participating wineries. These wineries were also showcased in the Geelong Wine Pour, held at local restaurants for the six weeks leading up to Toast to the Coast.

This year's 10th Toast to the Coast festival will be even bigger and better!

Mark your diary: **Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 October 2011. Bookmark www.toasttothecoast.com.au.**



Touring Information

For information about touring Geelong wineries and this spectacular region, visit

www.winegeelong.com.au

New Geelong Wineries touring brochure and map

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www.visitgeelong.org

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