



**2012
FACT SHEET**

- WHAT:** The Oregon Wine Awards is Oregon's most prestigious wine recognition program to determine by professional consensus the state's outstanding Oregon wines of the year. The Oregon Wine Awards is established to recognize, celebrate and promote excellence in Oregon winemaking. Top scoring wines will earn Oregon Wine Awards ~ Double Gold / Gold / Silver or Bronze Grand Award of Excellence.
- WHEN:** **DEADLINE for ENTRIES (Wines, Forms, Fees) ~ March 4, 2012**
- WHO:** Tasting Panel consists of Oregon's Top Wine Writers, Buyers, Sommeliers, Wine Directors and Wine Professionals.
- WHY:** The Oregon Wine Awards celebrates the Oregon Wine Industry in the recognition, connection and promotion of Oregon's Fine Wine to consumers, connoisseurs and wine professionals and retailers around the world.
- HOW:** Entries of Oregon State vitis-vinifera wines only to include Oregon Vineyard sourced fruit from Washington State AVA's extending into Oregon. The tasting evaluation will be single blind varietal categories meaning style or varietal will be disclosed not price, vintage nor producer in (3) three retail price categories.
- WHERE:** Professional Evaluation Held at Waverley Country Club (Closed to Public)
1100 SE Waverly Drive ~ Portland, OR 97222
(503) 654-6521
- COST:** **DEADLINE for WINES / FORMS / FEES ~ March 4, 2012**
Fees Payable to: Oregon Wine Awards \$40.00 Entry Fee per Category Entry.
Submit (3 ea) 750 ml. Dry Style or (4 ea) 375 ml. Dessert Style Bottles per Category Entry. No limit on # of Entries. Each wine may be entered only once per year.
- SHIP TO:** **Oregon Wine Awards**
c/o ESQUIN WINE STORAGE 2700 Fourth Ave South, Seattle, WA 98134
(Include ALL Forms, Fees and Wines together in SAME SHIPMENT.
Please send an e-mail notification with tracking to: wine@therainierclub.com
to alert us of your incoming shipment)
- CONTACT:** Christopher Chan
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Oregon Wine Awards Category Entry Criteria & Guidelines

1. All wines must be vinified and bottled by a licensed and bonded winery.
2. All wines must be produced from 100% vinifera grapes from an Oregon Vineyards from Oregon AVA's and Washington State AVA's extending into Oregon.
3. All wines must meet Oregon State requirements for variety labeling.
4. All wines submitted must be produced commercially and available for sale to the public.
5. All wines must be of current or upcoming release.
6. All wines submissions become property of the Oregon Wine Awards.

* Categories Based on Suggested Retail Release Prices *

\$20.00 – Under Category \$20.01 – \$35.00 Category \$35.01 – Over Category:

White Wines:

- WBord Bordeaux Style Blends / Sauvignon Blanc / Sémillon
- WChar Chardonnay
- WPino Pinot Gris/Pinot Grigio
- WProp Proprietary Blends / International Styles
- WRies Riesling – Dry and with Residual Sugar (RS must be Stated)
- WRhone Marsanne, Roussanne, Viognier or Blends
- WVari All Other White Varietals (Pinot Blanc, Gewurztraminer, Albarino, etc..)

Rose & Sparkling Wines:

- SRosé Open Category for all styles of Single Varietal Rosé wines
- BRosé Open Category for all styles of Blended Varietal Rosé wines.
- Spark Open Category for all styles of Varietal & Blended Sparkling wines.

Red Wines:

- RBord Bordeaux Style Blends (Cab, Merlot, Cab Franc, Petite Verdot, Malbec)
- RCab Cabernet Sauvignon
- RMer Merlot
- RPino Pinot Noir
- RProp Proprietary Blends / International Style Blends
- RSyrah Syrah / Rhone Style Blends
- RVari All Other Red Varietals (Gamay, Zinfandel, Tempanillo, etc..)

Dessert Style Wines:

- DFort **Open Price Category**
Fortified Wines
- DLate Late Harvest
- DIce Ice Wines

Submission Deadline is March 4, 2012 ~ Each Category Entry Requires:

Entry fee of \$40.00 per Wines and (3 ea) 750 ml. Dry Style (OR) (4 ea) 375 ml. Dessert Style samples.