



The International Wine & Food Society

IWFS Barossa Valley Festival

Friday 6th – Sunday 8th November 2026

The International Food & Wine Society invites you to gather in the heart of South Australia's most revered wine region. Immerse yourself in a weekend of exceptional regional dining and iconic wines while experiencing the warmth and character that is the Barossa.

Famed for its century-old vines, architectural cellar doors and a winemaking lineage that has shaped Australian viticulture, the Barossa is a region of depth, provenance and quiet grandeur. From intimate tastings with the custodians of Australia's only regional wine cellar to refined dining experiences celebrating regional produce, this weekend promises an indulgent and convivial escape.

Over three carefully curated days, you will enjoy exceptional wines, elegant hospitality and the stories that have shaped the Barossa and its culture; all set against the rolling vineyards and historic villages.

Why not extend your stay and create your own Barossa journey with the help and guidance of our host Mel Hamilton.

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Brief Programme

Day 1

The weekend commences at The Playford Adelaide - MGallery, an Art Nouveau masterpiece renowned for its classical elegance, bespoke service and refined ambience in the cultural heart of Adelaide.

Following festival registration, members are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting of IWFS Asia Pacific Limited, ahead of the celebratory Black Tie Dinner.

Luma's Executive Chef Hugh Hazelwood and his team, have meticulously crafted a multi-course experience celebrating South Australian produce at its seasonal peak. Each course will be paired with distinguished regional wines, thoughtfully selected to showcase the diversity and pedigree of South Australia's finest vineyards.



The Playford





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Day 2

Barossa Valley - Following an award winning buffet breakfast at Luma (for Playford guests who select this option), we board our bus to journey north to the Barossa.

Seppeltsfield Estate – A private tour and tasting has been arranged at Seppeltsfield, one of Australia's most historic and internationally acclaimed wine estates. Established in 1851, Seppeltsfield is custodian to the legendary Centennial Collection; the only unbroken lineage of single vintage Tawny in the world.

You will also have the option to reserve a place in the rare and prestigious 100 Year Old Para Vintage Tawny tasting for those wishing to partake in vinous history; or take time out to visit the Jam Factory art gallery, Vasse Virgin for exquisite skincare and gourmet food offerings and small batch producer Prohibition Gin Distillery.

Lunch - Fino Seppeltsfield. Set in the underground cellar within the historic Seppeltsfield estate, we will enjoy Fino's ethos of showcasing produce and provenance. Head Chef Jackson Gloyne and Beverage Manager Maeghan Linke have created a stunning shared menu that embraces the region of Barossa and the belief of owners Sharon Romeo and David Swain that the best meals are shared with friends.



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Day 2 (Cont.)

Boutique Tasting - Laughing Jack Wines

The afternoon continues with a private tasting at family owned Laughing Jack Wines, with Shawn Kalleske an artisanal Barossa producer celebrated for his powerful yet finely structured Shiraz and Rhône varieties. This intimate encounter will offer insight into his philosophy and craftsmanship behind these expressive wines.

Dinner - Otherness

Join renowned Barossa story teller Grant Dickson as he takes you on a journey of memorable wine tales that weave in and around the local delicacies created by Chef Sam Smith. This is a dining experience not to be missed as Grant shares his favourite wines showcasing the history and connections that make this region great.



Accommodation – Novotel Barossa Valley Resort

Overnight accommodation and buffet breakfast overlooking sweeping vineyard vistas will be at Novotel Barossa Valley Resort.



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Day 3

Hosted Tasting – Our final morning begins with a distinguished tasting hosted by the Barons of Barossa. This unparalleled private tasting of six hand-selected wines are chosen by Barons of Barossa Grand Master, Louisa Rose. This is a guided tasting of rare and aged Barossa wines meticulously cellared and opened at their peak, just for you. You will gain a rare insight into the region's evolution, viticultural heritage and contemporary direction.

Farewell Lunch – Barossa Cellar—Chef Daniel Murphy will prepare our final meal highlighting produce from the local Barossa Farmers Market paired perfectly with a range of wines from small and well known producers.

Following lunch, the bus will drop guests at either the Adelaide Airport or The Playford Hotel. If you wish to extend your Barossa or Adelaide journey feel free to reach out to our host Mel on— melhamilton.infront@gmail.com

Festival Costs:

Cost of this Festival is AUD2,150 per person on a twin share basis or AUD2,325 on a single share basis—This includes all meals, wines, accommodation in the Barossa, coach journeys and entry costs.

Accommodation and breakfast for the first night in Adelaide and the optional 100 Year Old Para Vintage Tawny tasting at Seppeltsfield are not included.

Bookings and payments can be made at: <https://www.iwfs.org/festivals/barossa-valley-festival-2026>

Please email administrator.apz@iwfs.org if you have questions with booking.



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The Barossa Cellar

Festival Refund Policy:

If there are people on the waiting list, we will seek to substitute anyone wishing to cancel with another guest plus an administration fee of AUD200. Where this is not possible:

- Cancellations prior to 1st June 2026 will receive a refund of 50% of the fee paid, less an administration fee per person of AUD200.
- Cancellations after 1st June but before 1st September 2026 will receive a refund of 25% of the amount paid less an administration fee of AUD200 per person.
- There will be no refund for cancellations made after 1st September 2026

We recommend all guests obtain travel insurance that provides coverage in the case of cancellation.

Festival Hotel:

All participants are asked to stay at the Playford Adelaide - MGallery, since this is where initial events will be held, and from where your transportation to the Barossa will depart and to where it will return.

Bookings for the hotel must be made directly with the hotel via this link - <https://accorevents.com/offers/fwsoc-offer>

Rates offered are applicable for 3 days pre/post of the festival. If you would like breakfast, please ensure you select the breakfast option.