

About Entwine Australia

Australian wine grape growers and winemakers are internationally renowned for high standards of environmental care, and now we have a National scheme to back up our reputation.

Entwine Australia is the new national environmental assurance scheme for the Australian wine sector. Developed by the Winemakers Federation of Australia (WFA) Entwine is a voluntary members-focussed scheme which is open to both vineyards and wineries. Entwine provides members with transparency and accountability for their businesses environmental activities.

By becoming a member of the scheme operators provide customers, government and retailers with assurances of best environmental practices and continuous improvement.

Benefits of becoming an Entwine Australia member

- Independently certified environmental credibility
- Improved marketing opportunities
- Sustainable practices that support your long-term future
- Costs savings through resource use efficiency gains
- Reduced risk of costly environmental problems
- Use of the Entwine Australia bottle logo (vineyard and winery must join)
- Free Entwine Australia Farm gate sign
- Access to members only resources and updates

How to Join Entwine

1. Get Certified! – There are currently two certification schemes that can be used to gain your Entwine Australia membership: Freshcare Environmental (Winery/Viticulture) and ISO 14001. For more information about these certification schemes visit the Entwine Australia website. We are also working with organic and biodynamic operators (contact us for more info).

2. Annual Survey – We ask you to send in an annual survey of resource uses, this is to help us better understand the needs and issues faced by members. All reported data is held in the strictest of confidence and will only be considered from a broader national perspective.

3. Start Carbon Counting! – We provide a Carbon Footprint Calculator free to Entwine members. We have put all the relevant information for vineyard and winery operators into one place to make it easy for you to start monitoring your carbon footprint.

Becoming an Entwine Australia member

Once you have collected all your indicator and carbon footprint data and gained your certification it is simply a matter of filling out an Entwine Australia membership form and submitting a membership payment to the WFA. Preliminary membership is also offered for 2 years for those who can report on the required data and have commenced but not completed Environmental certification.

For more information:

www.wfa.org.au/entwineaustralia

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The logo for Entwine Australia, featuring the word 'entwine' in a green, lowercase, sans-serif font with a checkmark integrated into the 'v', and the word 'australia' in a larger, bold, green, lowercase, sans-serif font below it.

Please turn over for Entwine Australia Member Checklist

To do	Action	Done
Getting Started		
Familiarise yourself with EntWine Australia	Read EntWine Australia program materials, visit website and discuss with involved industry stakeholders. Check anything you are unsure about with Damien from the WFA on (08) 8222 9251 or damien@wfa.org.au	
EntWine Australia Indicators The indicators summarise your resource uses for the year		
Record and Report EntWine Australia Indicators	Collect data for the financial year on each of the EntWine Australia indicators that apply to you (note that there are separate indicators for vineyards and wineries). Indicators can be found here: http://www.wfa.org.au/entwineaustralia/indicators.aspx	
Carbon Footprint (Wineries Only) Vineyards operators are not required to use this calculator for Entwine Australia reporting		
Record and Report Carbon Footprint	Download a copy of the Australian Wine Carbon Calculator onto your computer from: http://www.wfa.org.au/entwineaustralia/carbon_calculator.aspx Enter details from your operations such as fuel and electricity use, to find out what your carbon footprint is. Collect these carbon footprint numbers for Entwine Australia reporting.	
Environmental Management Certification You need a certification to prove that your operations meet an environmental standards.		
Choose an Environmental Certification System	You can choose between Freshcare Environmental (Viticulture or Winery) or ISO 14001. Your decision should include a consideration of the costs of training and auditing, and whether your current auditors for other certifications can do the environmental certification you choose.	
Freshcare: Certification Training	Contact a Freshcare Environmental (Viticulture and or Winery) to arrange a training day. A list of Freshcare Trainers can be found Here: <i>Vineyard:</i> http://www.freshcare.com.au/trainers/MSId3 <i>Winery:</i> http://www.freshcare.com.au/trainers/MSId4 Note: Freshcare Environmental Viticulture training costs are reimbursable through the Australian Governments FarmReady scheme. Discuss this with trainers before you attend training. Tip: Consider a group training session with others in your region to reduce costs.	
Freshcare: Implementation and Trainer Follow-up visit	During training organise to have the trainer visit your operation to assist you in getting started. This visit will prepare you for an audit (required for certification).	
ISO 14001: Getting ready	Contact an ISO consultant or audit provider for advice about getting started with ISO	
Environmental Certification Audit	<i>Freshcare</i> – Contact an approved Freshcare certification body to arrange an audit at: http://www.freshcare.com.au/certBodies You will be required to renew your Freshcare certification every 3 years. <i>ISO14001</i> - There are a large range of certification bodies that can be used for ISO 14001 Certification. Visit: http://www.iso.org/iso You will be required to renew your ISO certification on an annual basis.	
After Audit	Once you have passed the audit the auditing organisation will provide you with a certificate, you can provide certificate details to WFA as part of your EntWine Australia membership application.	
Becoming a Member		
Join Entwine Australia	Collect all three elements mentioned above 1)Entwine Australia Indicator Data 2) Carbon Footprint Data 3) Certification details and fill in the EntWine Australia Membership form online at this site: www.wfa.org.au/entwineaustralia/members_registration.aspx Submit this form along with your Entwine membership payment to the WFA	