



**Nevada Vines & Wines Fourth Annual Wine Competition  
Information and Rules  
2017**

**Nevada Vines & Wines**

Our mission at Nevada Vines & Wines (NV&W) is to help promote the wine industry in the State of Nevada and reach a point where we can promote, educate and produce wine for all to enjoy.

**Eligibility**

The third annual NV&W wine competition is open to all home wine makers in the State of Nevada and to neighboring states within 100 miles of the Nevada state border. Cellar workers and others affiliated with a commercial winery are eligible as long as they make the wine in their own facility and without the help of professional staff. You must be 21 years or older to participate.

**Wine Competition goals**

Serious home wine making has led to many famous wineries throughout the United States and Canada. NV&W recognizes this and seeks to encourage home wine making part of our mission to promote viticulture and viniculture in the State of Nevada while also providing a competitive exposure to the makers of country wines and meads. NV&W will supply entrants with the score sheets as a feedback on the thoughts of the judges. This invaluable information is necessary to home wine makers to help improve their efforts to continued success.

**Judging**

The judging will be based on the Danish System where every wine will compete on its own merit. In an effort to encourage vineyards and wine making in Nevada, there is a separate judging for Nevada grown grapes many of which are French hybrid varieties. Non Nevada grown grapes and kit wine, fruit wine and mead are in other categories. Judges reserve the right to judge similar wines in similar flights. Judges are not bound to offer all awards in every category or division.

**Awards**

Rosette ribbons will be awarded for Gold, Silver, Bronze, Best of Division and Best of Show. Awards may be picked up at the Awards Reception or they will be mailed to the entrant.

**Rules**

- The wine maker is encouraged to select the Category, Division and Class that best represents the wine entered. Improperly classified wines will be reclassified at the discretion of the judges.
- There is a fee of \$10.00 per entry. You may enter as many wines as you like.

- Entry fees are not refundable and all entries become the property of NV&W.
- If possible, please use the NV&W web site to enter: <http://www.nvandw.com>
- A gold ribbon (1st place) winning wine entered in a previous NV&W competition is ineligible for reentry into this year's competition.
- Only one 750 ml bottle of wine is required for each entry with the exception that Port style wines and dessert wines may be in a 375 ml bottle.
- Each wine must use the NV&W bottle label either by taping onto the bottle or using a glue or similar. Please remove neck capsules.
- Wines labeled as varietals must contain at least 75% of one variety. Blends will have no more than 75% of any one variety. Judging will take place by a knowledgeable panel in a blind tasting. Judging is closed to the public. All decisions by judges are final. Judges may align similar wines into similar flights to best present the wines.
- All entrants will receive a copy of the judging notes which will be mailed after the competition.
- The cost of the Awards Reception is separate from the entry fees.
- All entrants agree to permit photographs and information about themselves and or their wines for publicity purposes.

## **Categories and Divisions**

### **Category 1 Nevada Grown Grapes**

#### **Division 1 NV Whites, Rosé and Sparkling**

- Class 100NV Dry white varietal (specify)
- 101NV Dry white blend
- 102NV Off dry white varietal (specify)
- 103NV Off dry white blend
- 104NV Sweet white varietal (specify)
- 105NV Sweet white blend
- 106NV Dry rosé varietal (specify)
- 107NV Dry rosé blend
- 108NV Off dry rosé varietal (specify)
- 109NV Off dry rosé blend
- 110NV Sweet rosé varietal (specify)
- 111NV Sweet rosé blend
- 112NV Sparkling white
- 113NV Dessert White

#### **Division 2 NV Red wines, Sparkling**

- Class 200NV Dry red varietal (specify)
- 201NV Dry red blend
- 202NV Off dry red varietal (specify)
- 203NV Off dry red blend
- 204NV Sweet red varietal (specify)
- 205NV Sweet red blend
- 206NV Sparkling red
- 207NV Red dessert

**Category 2 Non Nevada Grown Grapes and Kit wines**

**Division 3 Whites, Rosé and Sparkling**

- Class 300 Dry white varietal (specify)
- 301 Dry white blend
- 302 Off dry white varietal (specify)
- 303 Off dry white blend
- 304 Sweet white varietal (specify)
- 305 Sweet white blend
- 306 Dry rosé varietal (specify)
- 307 Dry rosé blend
- 308 Off dry rosé varietal (specify)
- 309 Off dry rosé blend
- 310 Sweet rosé varietal (specify)
- 311 Sweet rosé blend
- 312 Sparkling white
- 313 Dessert White

**Division 4 Red wines, Sparkling**

- Class 400 Dry red varietal (specify)
- 401 Dry red blend
- 402 Off dry red varietal (specify)
- 403 Off dry red blend
- 404 Sweet red varietal (specify)
- 405 Sweet red blend
- 406 Sparkling red
- 407 Red dessert

**Category 3 Fruit Wines, Mead, Other**

**Division 5 Country wines**

- Class 500 Dry fruit wine
- 501 Off dry fruit wine
- 502 Sweet fruit wine
- 503 Sparkling fruit wine
- 504 Dry mead
- 505 Off dry mead
- 506 Sweet mead
- 507 Sparkling mead
- 508 Other (specify)

**Key Dates**

Saturday, April 1, 2017, Final date to submit wines.

Saturday, April 22, 2017, Judging.

Thursday, May 18, 2017 Awards Reception

**Shipping and Delivery**

The last day for hand delivery and to receive shipments is Saturday, April 1, 2017. Hand deliver or ship to: **Reno Homebrewer**  
**2335 Dickerson Road**  
**Reno, NV 89503**

If you have not paid on-line please enclose your check made payable to: Nevada Vines and Wines plus the entry form and your bottles have a proper label on them. Make sure your package is clearly marked "NV&W Competition".

**On-line Registration**

Entrants are encouraged to register and pay on-line at: <http://www.nvandw.com>

**Contact**

For further information please don't hesitate to contact us at: [uncorkingnevada@gmail.com](mailto:uncorkingnevada@gmail.com) or you can mail us at: NV&W, P.O. Box 18674, Reno, NV 89511 Or: 775-342-3714

**Awards Reception**

The Awards Reception will take place on Thursday, May 18. The time and place are yet to be determined. Check the web site.



**Wine Competition Entry Form**

*I have read all the rules of the competition and agree to abide by them:*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Print clearly and provide information as it appears on the label**

Category	Division	Class	Vintage*	Varietal/Blend	Dry	Off Dry	Sweet	Dessert

\* For a non vintage year leave blank

<p><b>Number of wines entered X \$10.00</b> _____</p> <p align="center"><b>Total Due</b> _____</p> <p><b>Please make checks payable to Nevada Vines &amp; Wines</b></p> <p>Payment must be made by or on the day the wine is received.</p>
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<b>Nevada Vines &amp; Wines Competition</b>	
Wine maker name _____	
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Category _____	Division _____
Class _____	
Vintage _____	
Varietal or Blend % _____	
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Dry _____	Off Dry _____ Sweet _____
Dessert _____	

-----Please trim and tape onto bottle over any existing label.-----

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Class _____	
Vintage _____	
Varietal or Blend % _____	
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Dry _____	Off Dry _____ Sweet _____
Dessert _____	