

SCORING WINE IN AUSTRALIA

There are approximately 10 – 12 different systems of scoring wine in this country, many of which are not seen very often. Set out below is a commonly used system.

This numerical scoring system has a maximum of 20 points.

Examine the wines in front of you. Go through the table below and apply a score to them. See if you can agree with the awards they have already received.

MAX	CRITERIA	WINE 1	WINE 2	WINE 3
	First impressions			
3	Allocated for appearance			
1	Clarity			
1	Colour			
1	Condition			
7	Allocated for aroma			
4	Volume and desirability			
3	Faults (i.e. no fault = 3; very faulty = 0)			
10	Allocated for taste			
3	Flavour			
2	Acid/balance/mouthfeel			
3	Faults (0 – 3)			
2	General quality			
Total Score				
Gold/Silver/Bronze				