

Biological Farmers of Australia

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Biological Farmers of Australia Roadshow: Biological farmers learn tips from award winning WA winery

An internationally recognised and highly awarded certified organic winery, Cullen Wines, will play host when the Biological Farmers of Australia (BFA) Roadshow rolls into Margaret River on Saturday 6 November.

Local farmers will have the chance to hear from successful A-grade growers with firsthand knowledge and advice on biological farming, organic production and biodynamic farming systems.

BFA General Manager Holly Vyner says there is a growing wave of interest in organic and biological farming, which has led to demand for the Roadshow in a dozen locations this year.

“There is now much more support available for farmers in terms of alternative products on the market as well as established methods which can assist growers to increase the biology in their soil. Growers are particularly interested in lowering their reliance on agrichemicals and increasing their yields and quality of produce; essentially this is what biological farming is all about.”

Ms Vyner says that often the move to biological production will open up opportunities for supplying new markets and even gaining a premium, particularly for those who opt to take the organic certification route.

The location chosen for this roadshow highlights the effectiveness of converting to biodynamic systems, as Cullen Wines continues to celebrate its many successes.

Since 1971, Cullen Wines’ vineyards have benefited from low reliance on chemicals and 1998 saw the company make the switch to full organic certification.

With an emphasis on grape quality, the Cullen Wines philosophy reflects the company’s commitment to organic production – and the proof is in the long list of awards received by the winery and its viticulturalists.

Awarded the much lauded ‘World’s Best’ award for the 2007 Kevin John Chardonnay at the prestigious Decanter Awards 2010, Cullen Wines is dedicated to superior quality through sustainable production.



Aside from practical farming advice, the BFA Roadshow is known for being an entertaining day with quality food catering.

The BFA Roadshow will be held on 6 November starting at 8.30am and finishing at 4pm. The total cost including catering is \$45 pre-booked and \$50 on the day, with a further discount for BFA members.

All interested should reserve their place by calling the BFA on 1300 331 309 and further information is available at www.bfa.com.au.

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