

VINO SLOVENIJA GORNJA RADGONA



52.
open national
wine assessment

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BIO wine assessment

52 YEARS OF COMMITMENT TO WINE

Dear Sir or Madam,

It is with great pleasure and pride that we invite you to participate in the 52nd Open National Wine Assessment “Vino Slovenija Gornja Radgona” and the 16th Evaluation of BIO Wines.

Vino Slovenija is the largest and oldest wine assessment in Slovenia and a competition that has, for decades, connected top domestic winemakers with those from abroad in this part of Europe. Participation in this prestigious competition is an exceptional opportunity to confirm the quality of your wines and enhance your reputation with the brilliance of new medals.

Professional execution, complete anonymity of samples, and an independent panel of renowned oenologists ensure the highest level of credibility. The awards received – from bronze, silver, gold and grand gold medals to championship titles and special recognitions such as Champions of Wine Tourism Routes, the Stanko Čurin Award and Winemaker of the Year – represent an important seal of excellence and strong support for your promotion at home and abroad.

The most successful winemakers will celebrate their achievements at the announcement and award ceremony on the winners’ stage of the 64th International Agriculture and Food Fair AGRA 2026. The results will be published in a printed and online catalogue and presented in renowned media. Award-winning wines will be displayed throughout the year in the fair’s Wine cellar, and visitors will be able to taste them during the AGRA fair at guided tastings accompanied by the Slovenian Wine Queen.

We sincerely invite you to remain or become an important part of the story of excellence, tradition and international cooperation of Vino Slovenija Gornja Radgona.

Pomurski sejem
Janez Erjavec, President of the Management Board



KEY DATES FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF QUALITY 2026

20 th April 2026	deadline for the registration of wine samples for the assessment
11 th - 15 th May 2026	deadline for the delivery of samples to the Pomurje Fair
25 th - 29 th May 2026	week of the 52 nd Wine Assessment - Vino Slovenija Gornja Radgona and the 16 th Assessment of Bio wines - Vino Slovenija BIO
22 nd - 26 th August 2026	64 th International Agriculture and Food Fair AGRA - Publication of results in the printed and online catalogue - Reporting of achievements in reputable national and international media - Guided tastings and an exhibition of wines with the highest awards in the Wine Temple
25 th August 2026	Winegrowers and Winemakers Day with the announcement of the results and an award ceremony

AWARDS AND PROMOTION

The assessment VINO SLOVENIJA in Gornja Radgona is also an excellent opportunity for promoting wine quality. Assessed wines are exhibited in the Wine House, which is a popular spot during the AGRA fair. There, tastings of all evaluated wines are available, as well as guided tastings of champion wines. The day of the wine-makers is followed by a medal award ceremony where champion titles, special awards, and the announcement of the winemaker of the year are presented.



WINE QUEEN OF SLOVENIA

The institution of the Wine Queen of Slovenia is responsible for promoting Slovenian wines, viticulture, and the diverse wine regions. The Wine Queen of Slovenia represents Slovenian tourism and cultural heritage both domestically and internationally. She promotes the culture of wine production, cultivation, and the cultural enjoyment of wine.



ABSTRACT FROM THE RULES

PARTICIPANTS TO THE ASSESSMENT

Wine samples can be sent in by winegrowers who grow grapes and wine in one of the Slovenian wine regions or in other countries. The winegrowers have to be registered as grape and winegrowers with the competent administration unit. The quantity of the individual wine sample in stock is min. 500 l for normal vintages, for special quality wines - late vintage or selection min. 200 l, for berry selection, ice wine and dry berry selection min. 50 l and for equally special wines min. 50 l. These minimum quantities have to be indicated in the annual harvest declaration. The winegrower has to submit a copy of the annual harvest declaration to the organizer upon registration. For the assessment of BIO wines, it is NECESSARY TO ATTACH A COPY OF THE BIO WINE CERTIFICATE for the wine that is being entered for assessment (samples without a certificate will be assessed in the standard assessment and will also be charged).

SAMPLE DELIVERY

The wine samples for the assessment are to be delivered by the participants by mail or are collected and delivered by the authorized representatives of the evaluation organizer before the deadline set and published in the call for evaluation.

QUANTITY OF SAMPLES

The following quantities have to be delivered for the evaluation:

- six 1 litre or 0.75 litre bottles
- seven bottles with 0.5 litre or smaller.

FURNISHING OF SAMPLES DELIVERED

Each individual wine sample bottle has to be provided with label or tag indicating the following: winegrower, type of wine and designation (variety or name), geographic origin, vintage, alcohol content. Each sample has to be entered in the entry form. The entry form has to contain all data indicated in the form. All attachments required have to be present. The entrant is obliged to provide true information. The commission reserves the right to exclude entrants providing false information.

EVALUATION COMMISSION AND EVALUATION METHOD

The evaluation commission consists of experts coming from all three Slovenian wine regions and at least one evaluator from abroad. The evaluation follows the 100-points method recommended by the International Organisation of Vine and Wine (O.I.V.), International Union of Oenologists (UIOE) and the Federation of Largest International Wine Competitions (FMCCIVS).

QUALITY AWARDS FOR EVALUATED WINES

- Still wines (normal harvests, special quality wines, archive wines and barrique wines) dry, semi-dry, semi-sweet and sweet
- Sparkling wines brut, extremely dry, very dry, dry, semi-dry, semi-sweet and sweet
- Semi-sparkling wines brut, extremely dry, very dry, dry, semi-dry, semi-sweet and sweet
- Aerated wine brut, extremely dry, very dry, dry, semi-dry, semi-sweet and sweet
- Special wine naturally sweet or desert wine, fortified or liqueur wines, aromatized wines (still aromatized wines, sparkling aromatized wines, semi-sparkling aromatized wines) and other special wines.

Big gold medal with certificate	90,00 - 100
Gold medal with certificate	85,00 - 89,99
Silver medal with certificate	80,00 - 84,99

CHAMPION - The wine with the highest score reached within a particular commission and a particular category and at least one gold medal automatically takes part in the CHAMPION selection. Among the different candidates the commission then selects a champion within the single categories:

- dry wine (white, rosé, red) with residual sugar concentration not exceeding 9 g/l, provided that the total acid concentration, expressed as grams of tartaric acid per litre does not exceed 2 grams below residual sugar concentration if at least 25 samples were evaluated;
- semi-dry wine (white, rosé, red) with residual sugar concentration exceeding the highest permissible dry wine concentration, but not exceeding 18 g/l, provided that the total acid concentration, expressed as grams of tartaric acid per litre is not more than 10 grams below residual sugar concentration if at least 25 samples were evaluated;
- semi-sweet wine (white, rosé, red) with residual sugar concentration exceeding the highest permissible semi-sweet wine concentration, but not exceeding 45 g/l if at least 25 samples were evaluated;
- sweet wine (white, rosé, red) with residual sugar concentration exceeding 45 g/l if at least 25 samples were evaluated;
- sparkling wine (regardless of colour and residual sugar concentration), if at least 15 samples were evaluated;
- special wine - natural sweet desert, aromatized, fortified or liqueur wines (regardless of colour and residual sugar concentration), if at least 10 samples were evaluated;
- bio wine, the title of Champion is received by the bio wine with the highest assessment regardless of colour, vintage, and category, provided that at least 25 samples of bio wine have been assessed.

SPECIAL "POMURSKI SEJEM" AWARDS

The title wine-grower of the year for the current year is awarded to the wine-grower or to the wine cellar that is awarded the highest score for 5 wine samples in 3 different categories. Only wines taking part for the first time in the wine assessment in Gornja Radgona can compete for this title. Categories:

- Dry white wine with residual sugar concentration not exceeding 9 g/l, provided that the total acid concentration, expressed as grams of tartaric acid per litre does not exceed 2 grams below residual sugar concentration
- Dry wine (rosé, red) with residual sugar concentration not exceeding 9 g/l, provided that the total acid concentration, expressed as grams of tartaric acid per litre does not exceed 2 grams below residual sugar concentration
- Semi-dry wine (white, rosé, red) with residual sugar concentration exceeding the highest permissible dry wine concentration, but not exceeding 18 g/l, provided that the total acid concentration, expressed as grams of tartaric acid per litre is not more than 10 grams below residual sugar concentration
- Semi-sweet wine (white, rosé, red) with residual sugar concentration exceeding the highest permissible semi-sweet wine concentration, but not exceeding 45 g/l;
- Sweet wine (white, rosé, red) with residual sugar concentration exceeding 45 g/l
- Sparkling wine
- Special wine (natural sweet desert, aromatised, fortified and liqueur wine)

Scoring system:

Champion 5 points | Big gold medal 4 points | Gold medal 3 points | Silver medal 2 points

PROMOTION OF ASSESSED WINES

The promotion of the evaluated wines is taken over by the fair organiser at the exhibition and public wine tasting which take place during the International Agriculture and Food Fair AGRA in Gornja Radgona. Participants who wish to label the evaluated wines with the received awards are subject to the conditions laid down by the Awarded Wines Designation Rules (Attachment 1) and have to obtain the permission of the organiser. All award symbols are protected.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF RESULTS AND AWARDS CEREMONY

The official announcement of the evaluation results and the award ceremony take place during the International Agriculture and Food Fair AGRA in Gornja Radgona.

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