

SYDNEY WINE ACADEMY

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WSET Level 4 Diploma in Wines

Building on the knowledge and skills gained from the WSET Level 3 Award in Wines, the Diploma deepens your understanding of how and why wine production and business factors influence the style, quality, and price of wines. Your expertise is built both theoretically, through comprehensive study of a large number of wine regions, and practically, by developing your wine tasting skills to an expert level. Successful graduates acquire exceptional analytical skills and proficiency in evaluative wine tasting, gaining global recognition as authoritative wine specialists.

The course is suitable for people within the industry, either working in, or wishing to progress into management roles and for the serious wine enthusiast, wishing to build on knowledge and acquire expertise in wine tasting. The WSET Level 4 Diploma in Wines is viewed universally as the stepping-stone to the **Master of Wine** qualification.

The Diploma is divided into six mandatory Units. The two Foundation Units must be studied at the beginning of the Diploma programme because they provide the core knowledge and understanding required for success in subsequent units. Diploma students are required to sit the D1 exam before progressing to the rest of the course.

All units are presented by industry experts, including Masters of Wine and Diploma Graduates, who have advanced knowledge of international wines.

What you will learn:

- D1 – Wine production (Foundation unit)
 - D2 – Wine business (Foundation unit)
 - D3 - Wines of the world
 - D4 – Sparkling wines
 - D5 – Fortified wines
 - D6 – Independent research assignment
- } Compulsory in the 1st semester of study

For more information and full details on the course requirements, please download the course Specification

<https://www.wsetglobal.com/qualifications/wset-level-4-diploma-in-wines>

Participants will be expected to spread their study over **two** consecutive years; participants will need to take on substantial amounts of self-study (minimum of 372 hours) in addition to the in-class hours.

Entry Requirements

Participants must be 18 years old or older.

Candidates must hold either the WSET Level 3 Award in Wines or the WSET Level 3 Award in Wines and Spirits.

Candidates whose first language is not English are strongly recommended to have an IELTS score of 6.5 or above or be able to demonstrate an equivalent ability level.

Award

All candidates will receive a results letter on completion of an entire unit. For successful candidates, this will be a record of achievement issued by WSET.

Students who pass all unit examinations will receive a WSET Level 4 Diploma in Wines certificate, suitable for framing and a lapel pin. Graduates are allowed to use the post nominal of *DipWSET*.

For further information please visit our website sydneywineacademy.edu.au
or phone **02 7921 2399**

Examinations & Assessments

Please refer to the '*WSET L4 Diploma Specification*' document for all information pertaining to Examinations and Assessments.

Examination dates are set by WSET in London; they are not flexible. If a student decides, for whatever reason, not to sit a scheduled examination, they may only sit that unit exam when it is offered again by SWA and this may be 12 months or longer. The student is liable for a full exam resit fee.

Please call our Sydney Wine Academy administration office to assist you with any queries: 02 7921 2399

Fees include:

- Candidate registration with WSET London. *The registration fee is non-refundable. Conditions apply.*
- 6 professional wine tasting glasses
- Complete WSET Study Materials available online and in hard copy
- All examination fees (but not examination re-sit fees)
- In-class tasting samples and class tuition
- Access to Sydney Wine Academy online resources, which has Jancis Robinson's *Oxford Companion to Wine*
- Ryde TAFE Campus services including an extensive library for International periodicals, magazines and books
- Student membership to WSET Global Campus for three years
- Access to full time lecturer support
- TAFE NSW enrolment and access to student services and student discounts.

Enrolments

The 2023 fee is: \$11,150.00.

The Sydney Wine Academy accepts payment in full or by a set of instalments.

Paying by instalments is not a progression payment and you are required to make full payment even if you have stopped participating in the course.

Terms and Conditions

- Full payment or first instalment are required to confirm your place and must be received before enrolments close – we do not accept enrolments without payment.
- Enrolments must be accompanied with proof of your WSET Award Level 3 result emailed to sydneywineacademy@tafensw.edu.au
- Courses are run subject to demand. If there are insufficient numbers, courses may be cancelled or deferred. If a course is cancelled you are entitled to a refund excluding the cost of study materials issued.
- Examination dates are fixed. Participants unable to sit for a unit examination/submission must inform the Sydney Wine Academy in writing prior to the registration date. Additional fees may apply.
- Information is accurate at time of publication and subject to change anytime without notification.
- The course is offered over two years. There is an additional one year available to complete all the units and studies in this course (subject to approval). **After that period students will need to pay to attend class and sit further examinations.**

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