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Evans & Tate Becomes a Full Signatory to the Margaret River Wine Association Lightweight Glass Charter

Evans & Tate has officially become a Full Signatory to the Margaret River Wine Association (MRWA) Lightweight Glass Charter, reinforcing its commitment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions and driving sustainable practices within the wine industry.

The charter commits wineries to reducing the average 750ml still wine bottle weight to below 420 grams, a key strategy in lowering carbon emissions. Evans & Tate has consistently used bottles averaging under 420 grams since 2019. By signing the Charter, the winery is formally recognised for its proactive efforts in minimising its carbon footprint and contributing to the region's broader sustainability goals.

The MRWA Lightweight Glass Charter also serves as a resource for trade and consumers seeking wineries that are taking tangible action to reduce emissions and improve sustainability.

MRWA CEO Amanda Whiteland highlighted the importance of this initiative, stating:

"We are committed to continuous improvement, and supporting our members in the transition to lightweight glass is a key step in our broader sustainability efforts. By switching to lightweight glass bottles, wineries can reduce emissions by over 20%—a relatively simple change with a significant impact."

She added:

"We believe the Margaret River Wine Region can lead the way in adopting lightweight glass, setting an example for sustainable wine production globally."

In addition to this commitment, all Fogarty Wine Group vineyard holdings across Margaret River—covering over 400 hectares—are certified under Sustainable Winegrowing Australia (SWA). This certification is awarded to vineyards and wineries that demonstrate best practices in environmental, social, and economic sustainability, ensuring continuous improvement through rigorous independent auditing.

Fogarty Wine Group's Director of Operations/Head Viticulturist John Fogarty emphasised the company's dedication to sustainability, stating:

"This is another great step forward for Fogarty Wine Group's sustainability program. In the past 18 months, we have achieved certification for both Margaret River wineries—Margaret River Vintners and Deep Woods Estate—as well as all FWG vineyards across the Margaret River region. The team at Evans & Tate have done a great job to meet the commitment of the MRWA Lightweight Glass Charter. I look forward to building our sustainability program further across Evans & Tate and the wider Fogarty Wine Group."

To learn more about the MRWA Lightweight Glass Charter signatories, see

<https://margaretriver.wine/lightweight-glass-packaging-charter/>

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The Margaret River Wine Association (MRWA) is the peak body representing the region's grape growers and winemakers, dedicated to marketing, industry development, and advocacy.

Established in the late 1970s as the Margaret River Grape Growers & Winemakers Association and incorporated in 1982, MRWA has played a pivotal role in shaping and promoting Margaret River's world-class wine industry.

As an independent, non-profit organization, MRWA is financed by its members, along with support from corporate partnerships, sponsorships, and grants. The Association proudly represents more than 165 industry members and 50 associated Grape Grower and Commercial members, working collaboratively to support the ongoing success and global recognition of the Margaret River wine brand.