



2021 HOSPITALITY NT
AUSTRALIAN LIQUOR MARKETERS

GOLD PLATE AWARDS

MONDAY, 16 AUGUST 2021

Nomination Form



ENTRIES CLOSE MIDDAY FRIDAY 25th JUNE 2021

Awards presentation will be held on Monday, 16 August 2021

Hospitality NT Australian Liquor Marketers Gold Plate Awards embody the best of the Territory's restaurants and dining establishments. The Awards recognise, promote and reward excellence and best practice in the hospitality industry.



2021 Hospitality NT Australian Liquor Marketers Gold Plate Awards

Benefits of entering:

- Become an award winning business and have the marketing edge on your competitors
- Receive recognition for all the hard work and care that you invest in your establishment
- Trained independent judges' feedback will be made available upon request to all entrants to assist in assessing and improving your business' performance

Eligibility

Entry is open to all pubs, taverns, restaurants, cafes, clubs and wayside inns that operate with a liquor licence within the Northern Territory.

Nomination Process

To nominate please complete the nomination form on page 4 and forward along with **one** copy of your menu and relevant wine and/or cocktail list, to the Hospitality NT office by email to kelly@hospitalitynt.com.au or post to GPO Box 3270, Darwin NT 0801.

Nomination Fees

The cost to enter the Gold Plate Awards is \$99 per venue. This includes any two categories and the breakfast category is an additional \$50.00.

The nomination fee, or cost to enter, covers the judging costs ONLY – meaning that every dollar you spend entering the awards will eventually go back into your business when the judges come to dine and evaluate your establishment.

Categories

Each venue may select up to **2 categories** (in addition to the Breakfast Category) in which they wish to be judged. The Wine List and Cocktail List categories are available as additional entries by all nominating venues **free of charge**.

Venues that operate more than one restaurant may enter each of their restaurants in up to 2 categories.

Minister's Award for Championing Local Produce

A new Award has been introduced this year sponsored by the Department of Industry, Tourism & Trade. This Award will recognise a venue which champions local produce.

All nominees that enter the Gold Plates can also enter this Award, by providing their menu and a short written summary of their interactions with local food providers. Hospitality NT will also seek feedback from NT Farmers and Seafood Council on nominees in this category. There will be no cost to enter this new category.

City of Darwin Innovation Award

The City of Darwin Innovation Award is also new in 2021 and recognises a local hospitality venue that implemented successful innovations in their business operations over the last year. All nominees can also enter this award free of charge, by providing a written submission (no longer than 1,500 words) highlighting how they have innovated their facilities, processes and services over the past year. This can be technology, infrastructure or processes that have helped the venue innovate and adapt to the changing business environment.

Judging

The judging process is conducted by independent judges under the direction of a Chair of Judges. Hospitality NT arranges training for all judges. The Judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

Judges dine anonymously during the judging period in all venues, as paying guests. The Judges on completion of their dining experience complete an assessment and Hospitality NT also inputs online feedback (as a total score from ReviewPro) as a small portion of the judges overall scoring.

The Best Wine List category will be judged by a qualified wine sommelier.

If there are insufficient nominations for any particular category then Hospitality NT may, at its sole discretion, decide not to run that category and will reimburse any nomination fees paid.

Judgment Period

Judging will take place during June and July 2021.

Awards Presentation

The Awards presentation gala dinner will be held on Monday, 16 August 2021. **Please note that it is a condition of entry that all nominees must send a representative to the Awards presentation gala dinner to accept any Award.** Further information on the gala dinner will be forwarded separately in the coming weeks.

Categories

1. Breakfast Restaurant

Establishments which specialise in the provision of breakfast/brunch.

2. Contemporary Restaurant

Establishments which predominantly offer a menu characterised by fresh seasonal produce and innovative dishes that reflect contemporary trends.

3. Family Restaurant

Venues which provide and promote an environment suitable for the family dining market (eg, play areas, menu targeting under 12 years of age, toys, etc).

4. Casual Dining

Venues where full table service is not offered as part of the dining experience (eg. the customer is required to order meals at a counter and self-serve cutlery etc).

5. Informal Dining / Café Restaurant with table service

Venues that offer a full table service dining experience.

6. Club Restaurant

A restaurant / bistro operating within a Club.

7. Public Hotel Dining

A restaurant / bistro operating within a public hotel or tavern.

8. Hotel Restaurant

A restaurant within an accommodation hotel (Restaurant must be operated by the hotel).

9. Wayside Inn Dining

A restaurant / bistro operating within a Wayside Inn or regional/remote hotel.

10. Asian Restaurant

A restaurant specialising in Asian cuisine (ie. Chinese, Indian, Japanese, Thai, etc).

11. International Cuisine Restaurant

International cuisine restaurants that do not fall within the Asian Restaurant category.

12. Best Wine List

Open to all entrants who submit their wine list.

13. Best Cocktail List

Open to all entrants who submit their cocktail list.

14. New Establishment

A restaurant / food establishment that opened after 1 July 2020.

15. Stand Alone Restaurant

Venues that operate solely as a restaurant (ie. not part of an accommodation hotel, tavern or club).

16. Steak Restaurant

Venues that market themselves primarily as a steak restaurant.

17. Tourism Restaurant

Venues which promote their venue proactively to the Tourism Market.

18. Minister's Award for Championing Local Produce*

Venues which actively promote local produce on their menu and have strong connections with local food growers.

19. City of Darwin Innovation Award*

Venues that implemented successful innovations in their business operations over the last year.

20. Restaurant of the Year

The winner of this category is determined by the highest scoring venue across all restaurant categories (with the exception of Breakfast Restaurant). If a venue has won Restaurant of the Year 3 times within a 5 year period, it will not be eligible for nomination in this category for a 2 year period.

The winner of the Gold Plate Awards Restaurant of the year will also receive an account credit to the value of \$1500 from our primary sponsor Australian Liquor Marketers.

* *Submission based category. Submissions should be no more than 1,500 words and are due in by COB Monday 26 July.*



Nomination Form

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Full name of establishment (as you would like it to appear on the Award): _____

Contact Person: _____

Street Address: _____

Postal address: _____

Tel: _____ Fax: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

Hours of operation: _____ No. seats offered: _____

Type of cuisine/menu: _____

I wish to enter the following category/ies: (maximum 2 categories per establishment)

1. _____ @ \$ _____

2. _____ @ \$ _____

I wish to enter the Breakfast Restaurant category @ \$ _____

I wish to enter our wine list in the relevant wine list category @ \$ _____ no charge

I wish to enter the Best Cocktail List Category @ \$ _____ no charge

I have attached my submission for the Minister's Award for Championing Local Produce

I have attached my submission for the City of Darwin Innovation Award.

I have read and understood the conditions of entering into the Gold Plate Awards

Signed: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Print Name: _____

ATTACH: 1 x copy of menu 1 x copy of wine list 1 x copy of cocktail list

PAYMENT DETAILS:

Cheque - made out to Hospitality NT

MasterCard Visa

Total amount payable: \$ _____

Credit card number: _____ Expiry: _____ CCV: _____

Name on card: _____ Signature: _____

Please send completed nomination form and payment to Hospitality NT:

Postal Address: GPO Box 3270, Darwin NT 0801 **Street Address:** 20/24 Cavenagh St, Darwin

Phone: 08 8981 3650 **Email:** kelly@hospitalitynt.com.au

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