

Welcome to **Primavera** – the Italian name for Spring. It's also the word Italian fashionistas use for Spring style. With the strong Italian heritage of the Queensland wine capital, we've used Primavera for our whole of spring promotion. This is when we shrug off the Brass Monkey season's winter chills.



What happened to the Spring Wine Festival? [click to learn more](#)

After one of the coldest Augusts on record, the blossoms are emerging in the Granite Belt's vast fruit orchards. What better time then to launch our new Farmers Markets – [see more below](#). Spring additionally marks the start of a new season of growth and this season of colour begins with cherries, berries and apricots and in November the lavender harvest begins.

Right now dozens of award-winning wineries' new vintages are being released and that's always cause for celebration.

**Spring marks the biggest concentration of events on the Granite Belt** – view the highlights below then click the [EVENTS link](#) (also right) and search the monthly calendar to plan your visit.

- **Wine & Food Events:** Wine Masterclass\*, Blend a Hand\*, Sparkling Winemakers Breakfasts\*, Sirromet Long Lunch\*, Australian Small Winemakers Public Tasting.
- **Music & the Arts:** Jazz in the Vineyard\*, Gallery Floor Talks, Brass and Wine\*, Country Hoe Down\*.
- **Multi-Cultural & Sporting Events:** Kefi in the Winery\*, Stanthorpe Cup Race Day, Shakespeare under the Stars\*, African Rhythm and Reds on Tap\*.
- **Nature and Outdoor:** Gardenfest and Trade Fair, Wildflower Walks, Springtime National Threatened Species Day, Spring Garden Day on the back of the Great Dividing Range.
- **Infotainment:** Wine Appreciation Course, Cooking Classes, Brisbane Good Food & Wine Show.

*Note: Events marked with \* are held at a winery or vineyard.*

#### To Market to Market

- [Granite Belt Farmers Market](#) – By popular demand, its back! From Sunday 12 October these markets will be held at the Stanthorpe Civic Centre on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays each month 9am-1pm together with the Market in the Mountains.
- **Border Railway Markets** - 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday each month Wallangarra Heritage Railway Station 8am-12noon.
- [Granite Belt Growers Market at South Bank](#) – Sunday 16 November 2008 10am-3pm Little Stanley Street, Brisbane for our best wine, food & products.

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#### WEATHER

Average spring temperatures are 7.8 - 22.3 Celsius. Our chilly nights develop into warm sunny days. Pack warm clothes.

[Today's Temps](#)



#### WINE CYCLE

[New vintage wines released in Spring](#)

#### EVENTS

#### IN SEASON

Berries, Baby Leaf Salad, Beans, Broccoli, Brussel Sprouts, Cabbage, Chinese Cabbage, Cauliflower, Celery, Cherries and early Stone Fruit, Leeks, Lettuce, Parsley, Peas, Mushrooms, Shallots, Silverbeet, Spinach, Squash, Tomatoes, Zucchini



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