



## Twisted Gum

### ***NEWSLETTER – SUMMER 2017***

What a beautiful summer it has been up here on the Granite Belt, with warm sunny days followed by lovely cool evenings. We have been eating dinner on the deck most nights this month, soaking up this fabulous high altitude climate. The sunsets have been amazing and have motivated us to put on a few extra *Sunset Vineyard Walks* this year. In the past we have had one per month during Autumn but now we have decided to hold 5 walks on consecutive Saturdays in April, when the Autumn colours are usually at their most spectacular. Did you know that in Autumn the leaves on red grape vines turn red/orange while those on white grape vines turn a golden yellow? You will have to come and see them yourself!



*Soft evening light on the veranda of Twisted Gum Wines cellar door*

#### **Autumn Sunset Vineyard Walks with Wine and Cheese**

Join us for a leisurely stroll through our picturesque, hand tended vineyard. Admire the rich autumn colours of the vines set among stunning granite boulders and impressive twisted gum trees. Chat about various vineyard activities including mulching under vines, pruning, harvesting, etc. Then return to our cellar door to enjoy a guided tasting of single vineyard, dry grown Twisted Gum Wines matched with artisan cheeses on the veranda as the sunsets.

Dates: 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 April 2017.

Time: 4pm to sunset.

Price: \$25 per person

For further information see our events webpage [here](#).

## Table for Sixteen Degustation Dinners

The ever popular *Table for Sixteen* degustation dinners will be on again in 2017. We have been able secure an extra date from Chef Jason Costanzo, so we will be hosting four dinners in total this winter which is great news! The main course this year will be Granite Belt Venison. It will be a perfect match with our deep inky red wines. We are yet to nail down all the details of the full five course degustation menu for 2017 yet, but Jason did let it slip that the venison will most likely feature a Blackberry Jus – yum!

The cost remains at \$155/head in 2017 and includes a five course degustation dinner, all wines and door-to-door transport from your Granite Belt accommodation. Be sure to book very early because there are only 16 places available at the table and these dinners always book out quickly! The 4 dinner dates in 2017 are:

- 17 June
- 8 & 22 July
- 26 August

For additional information including an example menu please see our events web page [here](#), and be sure to phone or email if you have any questions at all.

## Photo Album of Shiraz Growth on Facebook

This season we have been having fun photographing a shiraz vine in the block near our house each week and posting them in an album on Facebook. We first started photographing a tiny 5cm shoot which grew rapidly into a 2 metre long cane after only 7 weeks! We then moved onto photographing one of it's bunches as it grew from a small collection of flowers into a full bunch of grapes. Presented below is a selection of four photos of this bunch from weeks 9, 10, 15 & 16 from left to right across the page. In week 16 (23 January) the grapes have started to change colour, a process that is called *Veraison*. Head over to our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/twistedgumwines](http://www.facebook.com/twistedgumwines) to see all the amazing photos in this album.



Cheers!

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