

Tell us how you feel about airline wine

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As many of you know, I am the wine consultant at British Airways (my only consultancy, unless you count being a member of the Royal Household Wine Committee). At my most recent meeting with BA we were discussing, as usual, the tricky business of logistics. As you can imagine, it is a nightmare, especially with an airline as big as BA, getting exactly the right bottles in the right place at the right time. And now, even less than ever, does one want to be flying anything that is surplus to requirements on any particular flight.

We were also discussing the BA tradition of trying to offer at least one red bordeaux and one white burgundy in the two premium classes (and, very often, a red bordeaux in quarter bottles in economy class).

At the moment in first and business class, BA tries to give passengers a wine list that exactly matches each wine on offer, but many other airlines are much vaguer about the wine selection. Qantas, for instance, hands out a full- colour brochure of every single wine they have bought, thereby giving passengers the tantalising possibility that they might find a bottle of Grange on the trolley. It would be extremely helpful to have feedback on these matters.

We are keen to know more about how you feel about the wine on board and would be very grateful if you would take a moment to answer four simple questions in the survey that can be accessed via the link below.

[Click here to tell us your views on airline wine](#)

By completing this brief survey and giving us your email address you will automatically be entered into a competition to win a pair of tickets (worth £30) to this [tasting of top Australian wines](#) in London (which includes Penfolds Grange and Yattarna) on the evening of Tuesday 30 Jun. We will choose winners at random from the answers we receive before midnight GMT this Friday 12 Jun and announce the winners and the results of the survey to date on Monday 15 Jun.

See [Evaluating wines for flying](#) on members' forum.