



Cowra food and wine series at The Quarry

If food and wine are your simple pleasures, and you love tantalising your tastebuds, you shouldn't miss a unique Cowra food and wine event, known as The Degustation Series, at The Quarry Restaurant, starting this month.

Degustation is the French word meaning "the tasting of food and drink".

Degustation menus have been a huge success around the world because they offer diners the chance to taste several smaller courses that the chef crafts to match particular wine varieties.

A degustation menu takes a chef's creativity, and delivers it to you as art on a plate.

For The Quarry's Anne and Paul Loveridge, The Degustation Series is giving them the chance to showcase what their restaurant does better than anyone in the region: matching food and wine in a relaxed dining experience.

"The Degustation Series is going to be held once a month," says Anne.

"It will bring out the best in local produce and local wines to really celebrate what we have here in the Cowra region.

"It's something different for us because everyone will get to taste several dishes that Paul creates specially to go with local award-winning wines.

"We hope people will enjoy the chance to try something different and to enjoy the flavours that match perfectly with the wonderful wines from a different local winery each month."

The Degustation Series starts with the annual "Vinum Ostendo" (Wine Show in Latin) lunch, hosted by Swinging Bridge, to be held on the day of the Cowra Wine Show Public Tasting, Saturday, July 25.

It will be an Italian-themed extravaganza to complement the 2008 & 2009 wine releases from Swinging Bridge.

"Tom Ward, winemaker for Swinging Bridge, who is also a judge at this year's Cowra Wine Show, will be on hand to chat about wine show judging and the best way to tackle tasting the best of more than 2000 wines at the Public Tasting that evening," says Anne.

The Degustation Series will continue with dinner events on the third or fourth Friday night of the month until November.

Five-course Degustation Dinners will be matched to award-winning wine selections from Spring Ridge (August 21), Rosnay Organic Wines (September 25), Kalari (October 23), and Mulyan (November 20).

Tickets for The Degustation Series are \$55 for the



A sample of the food and wine which will feature at the Degustation Series at the Quarry Restaurant starting this month.

Swinging Bridge lunch, and \$75 for the Degustation Dinners.

Best of all if you attend more than one dinner each successive dinner will be discounted.

Call The Quarry on 6342 3650 to make your reservation or for more information on The Degustation Series.