



AUSTRALIAN VINTAGE LTD

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**AUSTRALIAN VINTAGE APPOINTS TWO NEW DIRECTORS**

Australian Vintage Limited today announced the appointment of Mrs Naseema Sparks and Mr John Davies to its Board of Directors.

Following the Chairman's announcement at the AGM that he and Mr Brian McGuigan plan to retire as directors of the company during 2015, the Board has appointed two new directors with experience in the areas of marketing, digital media and finance.

Naseema offers the Board a wealth of experience in marketing and digital media, reflecting her successful executive career at M&C Saatchi, one of Australia's largest and most successful advertising businesses and more recently as Chairperson of Deals Direct Group. Naseema holds post graduate market research and planning qualifications and an MBA from Melbourne Business School.

John offers the Board both industry and financial experience. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants and has had a 36 year career with Ernst & Young. He was elected to Ernst & Young's Asia Pacific Board of Partners for a six year period until his retirement from the firm in 2011. During his career, he provided professional services to many of Australia's leading wine companies. John also owns a commercial vineyard in central Victoria.

Both have a passion for the wine industry with a wealth of experience in their relative fields.

There will be a transition between the two new directors and the two retiring directors over a period of approximately six months. This will allow the new directors to benefit from the significant knowledge and experience of the retiring directors. The increase in the number of directors from five to seven will only apply during that transition period.

Chairman of Australian Vintage Limited, Mr Ian Ferrier said that "the Board is very pleased that Naseema and John have consented to be part of the Australian Vintage Board. Naseema brings to the board significant experience in marketing and advertising and John has a strong financial background and a passion for the wine industry".

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