



## BERNINA National Quilt Award

Bernina Best of Show Award is a prestigious Award for each State's annual exhibition that incorporates all categories of quilts entered for a chance to win the overall Bernina Best of Show as nominated by that State's judges. A Bernina sewing machine and rosette proclaiming your entry to be the Best of Show for that State will be awarded as well as a chance to enter your quilt in the National Best of Australia Quilt Award for that year.

All State winning quilts will be gathered and brought together for the Australasian Quilt Expo which is held during February in Melbourne each year. On a rotating basis Quilting Guilds from three States will nominate a judge from their State to judge this prestigious event and find the National Best of Australia Quilt for that year. The winner will be announced at the prestigious Gala Dinner which is sponsored by Expertise Events and Bernina Australia, usually on the Saturday night.

All winners of Bernina Best of Show Award are flown to Melbourne and accommodation catered for, courtesy of Bernina Australia to be present for the presentation of this Award where the winner will receive a crystal trophy and \$1,000.00 in cash.

A Bernina Best of Show winner in one State is not eligible to win this Award in another State or territory, however entrants are still eligible to win other categories in other State's Guild Exhibition. Once entered into the National Quilt Award a quilt is left in the care of Bernina Australia for the remainder of the year where the quilts are cared for and transported by Bernina to all the Guilds' State & Territory Exhibitions including New Zealand, where that State or Territory Guild will look after the quilts, and the Australian public is privileged to view this Fabulous collection in their home State or Territory.