



Slow Food

Snail of Approval

Nomination Document

Please note that all Snail of Approval awardees are eligible to apply for the Slow Food Saddleback Business Development Grant for 2025.

Guidelines for Nomination and Approval for 2025

1. The Committee will consider all nominations, and this may include an onsite visit.
2. Recipients of the Snail of Approval will be announced at an event shortly after nominations close on Friday 4 April, and on social media and website platforms.
3. We would also expect to get local Council and media recognition.
4. The Snail of Approval is subject to annual review.

NOTE: The Snail of Approval is an international recognition program for food producers, artisans, retail outlets, restaurants and cafes that clearly demonstrate a philosophy of adopting earth friendly practices.

These may include reduction in the use of chemicals, reduction in the use of plastic and packaging, the use of local and low mileage ingredients, preserving vanishing animal breeds and plant varieties, and animal friendly practices. The Snail also signifies support of local producers, and the striving to create food that is Good, Clean and Fair.

The Snail of Approval recognises effort and intent but does not award accreditation in any area. The Snail of Approval accepts that adopting the above practices is on a continuum, and not necessarily a recognition of perfection. We hope that Snail of Approval businesses will continue to find opportunities for improvement towards Good, Clean and Fair food for all.

Your business type:

- Primary Producer
- Food Artisan
- Restaurant/Cafe
- Retail Food Outlet
- Chef
- Other (please specify):

Business name

Trading as

Business address

Street address

Suburb Postcode

Mailing address

Suburb Postcode

Website

Facebook address

Name of person who will liaise with the Slow Food Snail of Approval Committee:

Email address

Phone number

Slow Food Membership number if applicable

Note: We encourage all our Snail of Approval participants to join Slow Food Saddleback to enhance our ability to assist producers and makers and further Slow Food ideals. Applications are available online at: www.slowfoodsaddleback.com.au

Have you been awarded a Snail of Approval before?

FURTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED:

Please write a paragraph (or whatever you need) to tell us how you are maintaining the principles required for the award.

GOOD

How does your business promote and grow GOOD food?

You could mention your aims and achievements that apply to quality, taste, seasonal food, and the health of animals and people. How you support small scale local producers (list examples), how you support food traditions, the pleasure of healthy eating, and education about taste and seasonal food.

Do you advertise these to your patrons/customers?

CLEAN

Tell us how your business grows and promotes CLEAN food.

Mention your aims and achievements around sustainable food production methods, supporting biodiversity, choices about chemical use and GMOs. What are your choices that support the health of the planet, sustainable work practices, and reduction of waste, particularly single use plastics, adherence to relevant standards and minimising food miles.

FAIR

The Slow Food Snail of Approval Committee acknowledges that as a business you need to make a fair income and lifestyle.

Tell us how your business grows and promotes FAIR food.

Mention your aims and achievements around any of the following that apply.

Fair conditions and wages for workers, fair prices for consumers, fair payment, support and promotion for producers, support for local food traditions, economies and local food.

Are there any community initiatives you would like to share?

Is there any other information you would like to tell us?

Nomination forms should be submitted by Friday 4 April 2025 to the Snail of Approval Committee.

Please email to info@slowfoodsaddleback.com or mail to 15 Taylor Street, Kiama 2533.