



Melon Industry Study Tours

Melons Australia, in partnership with the Hort Innovation Melon Fund, is offering opportunities for both levy-paying growers and non-levy-paying melon industry members to participate in a range of study tours over a three-year period. Details on the available tours can be found at <u>www.melonsaustralia.org.au</u>. By applying for one of these opportunities, you commit to a small financial contribution and participation in reporting through recorded interviews.

Current Study Tour on Offer:

In late June/early July 2025 (at present 30th June to 11th July 2025), we will be taking a Melon Study tour through growing regions in Spain and potentially Italy (with final dates and tour locations to be confirmed). The European Study Tour will begin in southern Spain, and potentially progress to Italy also, and will include visits to trial demonstration sites, grower visits, innovation and new technology demonstrations, retail outlets and wholesale markets amongst other planned activities.

Expression of Interest Form

Contact Details:

Name	
Business Name	
Address	
Phone	
Email	

Type of business you work in (please tick)

Grower	Ag Consultancy/Agronomy		
Wholesaler	Research & Development		
Seed Company	Rural Merchandise		
Chemical Company	Other (specify):		
Job Title:			
Crops Grown:			





Please outline your role in the business and how your participation on the study tour will provide benefit to your business and our industry:

What do you want to achieve from attending the study tour to Europe?

What excites you most about joining us on this study tour? Please highlight here any innovation needs that you would like this tour to attempt to focus on.

Are there any specific locations/business that you believe would be beneficial for study tour participants to visit?

Do you think you might be able to use the learnings from the study tour to improve the melon industry? And if so, how?





It is a requirement for participants to share their experiences from the study tour with others from the industry, including through providing your time to Melons Australia to capture your learnings and insights. Are you happy to commit to being interviewed for your insights?



Yes

No

Do you currently hold any leadership positions within your industry or community? If so, what are they?

Any additional information or comments (please provide as much detail as possible):

Please tick the appropriate box to indicate your commitment to contributing towards the cost of your attendance on the Study Tour, either:

- 1. a levy payer (\$2,000 contribution), or
- 2. non levy payer (50% co-contribution)

Please tick the box to note that you understand your required commitment to be interviewed during and after the study tour about your experience and insights.

Please note: Levy payers must provide a copy of their most recent levy receipt to Melons Australia to allow confirmation of their melon levy payments.

Signature _____ Date _____

In signing above you are agreeing to the below Terms and Conditions also.



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Terms and Conditions:

As a recipient of a part-funded position on international study tour, all participants are representing both their own business as well as the Australian melon industry. Funding for this activity is comprised of both the National Melon Levies and matched funds from the Australian Government, and as such all participants are required to maintain professional behaviour at all times.

The purpose of these terms and conditions is to provide all participants with a clear understanding of the standard of conduct expected when performing your duties as a participant of study tours organised by Melons Australia. These T's & C's place an obligation on all participants to take responsibility for their own conduct. It outlines the expectations for behaviour while participating in levy-funded study tours.

- 1. All participants must conduct themselves in a professional manner having regard to the spirit and intent of the Study Tour.
- 2. All relevant international rules and laws should be complied with by all participants.
- 3. All participants must dress professionally and act consistently with these terms and conditions in all interactions, at work and work-related activities (including those outside of work hours).
- 4. All participants should treat everyone with respect and courtesy, recognising social and cultural differences and treat everyone fairly, equitably and without discrimination.
- 5. Organisers should be informed immediately of any breaches of these T's & C's.
- 6. Actual and perceived conflicts of interest should be declared by all participants and it is the participants' responsibility to manage conflicts that arise.
- 7. All participants should review pre-departure documentation provided by Melons Australia.
- 8. All participants must make their own assessment regarding the appropriateness and risk of travel to any destination. Melons Australia does not guarantee the safety of travel in any respect, nor to the regions being visited as part of the study tour. Participants are advised to visitsmartraveller.gov.au for official travel safety advice prior to the study tour.